Clark's Colleague: AFN Attorney Unjustly Accused

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WASHINGTON, D.C. relationship between the Alaska Federation of Natives and its

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attorneys is a complex and often-strained one. Even more constrained one. Even more con-fusing is the relationship be-tween the attorneys who represent the AFN.

which appeared

in the February 10 issue of the Tundra Times, AFN counsel Ramsey Clark was reported to be acting contrary to the wishes of his clients.

It was alleged by certain at-

torneys and others concerned with Alaska Native affairs, that former Attorney General Clark believed 60 million acres was too large an amount of land to seek and that he was actively

lobbying for 10 million acres of land as part of the Alaska Native land claims settlement. When confronted with the

charge, a representative of the (Continued on page 6)



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Chas. Edwardson **Testifies in** Washington

"We conclude that this draft report is a product of massive ignorance and that it is the Arctic Slope Eskimos who will suffer and are the forgotten people."

This is the charge made by

ASNA executive director Charles Edwardsen testifying before the Interior Department pipeline hearing yesterday afternoon, February 16th.

"The Arctic Slope Native Association is opposed to the building of the pipeline for the re-covery of the oil from its lands. The Eskimos own all of the North Stope having lived there since time memorial."

The two day hearings in Washington will examine the environmental effects of the proposed 800 mile pipeline from the North Slope to Valdez. Charles Edwardsen, Jr. told

the department officials his people would oppose any pipe-line till either the oil industry

or the government paid them for their lands.

He opposed any settlement of the pipeline before an overall land claims settlement is reached in Congress.
"Sadly we recognize that the

demands of Western Society for oil are so huge that to prevent the exploitation of the oil is impossible," he said.

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Ford Foundation Grants \$100,000 To Tlingit-Haida

The Ford Foundation has made a one hundred thousand dollar grant to the Central Council of Tlingit-Haida Indians of Alaska for a project involving video tape communications throughout the Central Council

constituency.

The project calls for placing video recorder/camera combina-tions in 15 Southeast Alaska communities as well as Anchorcommunities as well as Anchor-age, Alaska: Seattle, Washington; and Oakland, California so that Tlingit-Haida residents can be informed by the Central Council on such matters as land claims, health, education, employment.

Tapes will be produced at the Central Council main office and distributed among the 18 com-

Central Council President (Continued on page 4)



PERHAPS PRESIDENTIAL POLITICS—Sen. Ted Stevens suspects that Harris-Kennedy claims bill and backed by Sen. George McGovern, all Democrats, may be part of the Democratic presi-dential politics. It was thought the bill might be ready for introduc-MADELYN SHULMAN Photograph

Presidential Politics: Stevens—

Harris-Kennedy Bill

By MADELYN SHULMAN Staff Writer

The introduction of a land claims bill by Senator Fred Harris (D-Oklahoma) and Senator Ed-ward Kennedy (D-Mass.) with the support of Senator George McGovern (D-S.D.) may be part of Democratic presidential poli-tics, according to Senator Ted

Stevens (R-Alaska).

At a press conference in Fair-banks last week, Senator Stevens criticized the way the land claims bill was being introduced to the

Senate.

According to an announcement made last week, Senator Harris will introduce a bill which substantially follows the AFN position on February 17.

The bill provides for 60 million acres of land, \$500 million and a 2 per cent overriding royalty.

"I'm afraid the tactics used in presenting it to us may lead to misunderstanding or bad feel-

to misunderstanding or bad feelings," commented Senator Stevens. "Senator Gravel and I

introduced the AFN bill two years ago. This time, they went directly to Senators Harris, directly to Senators Harris McGovern and others. The way

Famous Clairvoyant To Speak at Tundra **Times Annual Banquet**

Ieane Dixon, the renowned Washington prophetess whose predictions about political events have astounded the country, will speak at the Tundra Times Ninth Anniversary Banquet this October.

The Tundra Times banquet is an annual benefit per-

formance to help keep the Tundra Times publishing.

This year's Tundra Times banquet will be held in Fairbanks on October 9 at a site yet to be picked by the Board of Directors of the newspaper. "Children; Our Innocent Heirs" will be the theme of the banquet.

Mrs. Dixon, who has been

Mrs. Dixon, who has been the subject of two books on her life and predictions will speak about her work with Chil-



dren to Children, a non-profit humanitarian foundation she established to finance various projects to aid the world's children.

Their primary project is the construction of an advanced Children's Research Medical Cen-

Children's Research Medical Center in Washington, D.C.
"Just the thought of visiting Fairbanks to speak at the Tundra Times Ninth Anniversary Banquet on behalf of children is an exciting one," replied Mrs. Dixnot o an invitation from editor Howard Rock on behalf of the Tundra Times. Tundra Times.

"Customarily I lecture for contributions to our foundation, Children to Children, but to help in your worthwhile work, I am more than willing to waive such contribution and donate my time and talent."

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According to her biographer, Ruth Montgomery, in her book "A Gift of Prophecy," Jeane Dixon has filled the capacity as an unofficial advisor to Presidents, Prime Ministers, Congressmen and other dignitaries in or within Weshington, D.C.

visiting Washington, D.C.
Through her syndicated col-umns, her prophecies have amaz-ed millions of Americans.

Mrs. Dixon has never accepted payment for her talents, which

ASNA's Joe Upicksoun Vows to Block Pipeline Until Bill Passes

"We will stop that pipeline till the land claims bill is settled," insists Arctic Slope Native Association president Joe Upicksoun. "If AFN can't do it, ASNA will."

The ASNA has already pre-pared a suit to stop any "tres-passing" to build a pipeline until Congress acts on the land claims issue, revealed the head of that militant organization of Arctic Slope Eskimos.
"Congress has not extinguish-

ed our (the Indian) title yet," said the ASNA President. "There have been cases in the Supreme Court deciding Indian title is

property. not extinguished Indian title north of the Brooks Range, there are no public lands there. The Arctic Slope region is the only area where there are no patented

"There is going to be a bill. We know that. How soon, we don't know."

Upicksoun knows the pipe-line will be built. Whether it goes south through Alaska or east through Canada, it must pass across the land of his people—

pass across the ratio of his people the Arctic Slope.

He believes the technical problems in building a pipeline

solved, but some degree of pollution and possible oil spillage is inevitable.

"Compensation is a big question," he said. "The Federal government is bonded for oil spillage. No provision has been made, however, for Natives, in the 'event of oil spill, to be compensated.'

In a land where "90 per cent of his people still live off the land directly or indirectly," Upicksoun and the ASNA would like provisions made for compensation in cases of oil spillage. This money would go to the

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