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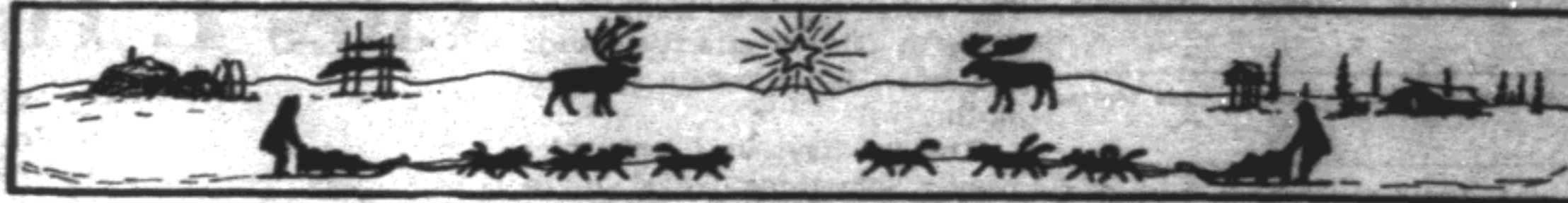
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## Secretary of Interior to Give Address at Switzerland



CABINET OFFICER—Secretary of the Interior, Stewart L. Udall, left, is coming to Fairbanks to be the keynote speaker at the Tundra Times Sixth Anniversary Banquet on October 5, at 6:30 p.m. at the supper club Switzerland. The

picture shows Udall with Al Seeliger, Fairbanks Chamber of Commerce president during the year 1962. The picture appeared in the Volume 1, No. 1 of the Tundra Times.

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Secretary of the Interior, Stewart L. Udall, is coming to the Tundra Times Sixth Anniversary Banquet on October 5 and deliver a keynote speech to the expected audience of 500 people at the supper club Switzerland on the Airport Road in Fairbanks.

James E. Officer, assistant to the Secretary, relayed Secretary Udall's acceptance to the Tundra Times editor, Howard Rock, this week. The brief wire reads: "Please be advised Secretary Udall can attend banquet of Tundra Times October 5. Please send further details regarding time and place."

Emil Notti on contacting the Tundra Times from Anchorage on Wednesday learned of Udall's acceptance and promptly said, "That's great!"

There is no immediate knowledge of what subject Secretary Udall will dwell upon in his keynote speech but Emil Notti surmised:

"I think the biggest things he's going to talk about is the land claims and the land freeze."

"I think he will talk about the chance of land legislation. He could talk about the Indian affairs as far as education goes."

"I also think he should talk to the AFN conference at that time. We'll extend him an invitation to talk to the conference."

The Alaska Federation of Natives conference will be held in Fairbanks on October 5 and wind up on October 6.

Notti said that the AFN has sent out letters to all the villages throughout Alaska and said he

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## Tlingit and Haida Lay Claims to Fisheries Loss

"The Tlingit and Haida Indians have taken action to renew and vindicate their claims

for damages against the United States for the invasion and exploitation of the salmon and other fishing grounds in Southeast Alaska, owned by the Tlingit and Haida Indians under their tribal and clan laws.

"Also, as pertains to tidelands in Southeast Alaska owned by the Tlingit and Haida, claims are being made for fair compensation for the taking and use by the United States of certain parcels during the years between 1935 and 1946."

Thus stated John Borbridge,

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## 5-Minute Radio Spots to Give AFN Information

The Alaska Federation of Natives is about to expand its information and this will be done by five-minute radio spots in widely separated radio stations in Alaska.

News of the AFN will be narrated by the well known radio and television personality Reuben Gaines of Anchorage.

"Tundra Times is doing a great job but I think five-minute radio time will help a great deal," stated Emil Notti president of AFN. "One of our weaknesses has been some lack of information. The news will be about the federation and what it has been doing."

Gaines will broadcast the AFN news starting September 17 over nine Alaska stations.

The radio stations are: KICY, Nome; Glennallen; KFAR, Fairbanks; Cordova; KYAK, Anchorage; KHAR, Anchorage; KJNO, Juneau; Sitka; and KTKN, Ketchikan.

## Rep. Hensley Tells Experiences At D-Convention

State Rep. William L. (Willie) Hensley, D-Kotzebue, came through Fairbanks this week and told the Tundra Times some of his experiences he had at the Democratic National Convention. It was the first time he had ever attended such a convention.

Hensley was one of three native members of the Alaska delegation. Others were Emil Notti and Frank Peratrovich. Hensley is Eskimo, Notti, interior Athabascan, and Peratrovich is southeastern Indian.

"In contrast to the Republican Party convention in Miami, Florida, the Democratic convention has minority representatives from Alaska while the Republican Alaska delegation did not," said Hensley.

He said that the Alaska delegation went right to work and had the native land claims issue put into the Democratic platform at the Chicago convention.

"It was the only specific portion of the platform that the Alaskan Democratic delegation sought during the platform committee hearing," Hensley said. "It means that if Humphrey is elected President, he's got an obligation to see that it's acted

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## Darcy Finds Quaint A-Frame Shop Native Artists Interesting

By DARCY LEWIS

With my trusty pen and paper plus typewriter, I set forth in the city of Anchorage, located in the state of Alaska, to see what I had to see and do what I had to do!

I saw a lavishly gardened, beautifully mountained, very well groomed and lovely city. I was enchanted by the breathtaking and hypnotic view from "The Top Of The World" located in the Anchorage Westward Hotel and bewitched by even, gentle lapping of the heavenly waters of Cook Inlet.

I was drunk with beauty and then, I did what any writer would do; I looked for a story. Something to whet the appetites of "TUNDRA TIMES" readers and I found the aperitif!

At 4th and 'D' Sts., in a quaint "A" framed-built shop, I entered the world of Neuvanavik Hoonda Kahit (NEW-VAN-YA-VIC HOON-DA CA-HIT).

It is in this shop that native artists work at their crafts, and it is in this shop that I found two such artists; Harry and Eugene.

Harry Okpik was whittling away at his carvings unaware that I was waiting for the right moment to say, "Harry, tell me about yourself." I say "the right moment" because my dulcet

tones might have caused his whittle knife to unwhittle what he was whittling at that time and I never want to be the cause of "work out the window."

We spoke and although Harry carves and whittles with perfection his people and

animals in wood, ivory and soapstone, he has never studied this craft professionally. He carves away with his natal culture always his teacher and produces exquisite craftsmanship and interesting subjects.

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## AFN Health Chairman Clarifies PHS Situation

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Members, Board of Directors, AFN  
Village Councils  
Native Associations  
Native People of Alaska:

In my recent meetings with Dr. John Lee and his staff of the U.S. P.H.S., Alaska Native Health Service in Anchorage on August 26, 27 and 30, the following is the present situation of their existing problem. As follows:

1. 15% cut back on present budget for this year.
2. Employment freeze to the 1966 level.
3. 176 more employees are needed to fulfill present programs now in existence and new programs for health services.

Essentially all present programs are not directly effected by the cut back, but will be in fact be effected by the employment freeze, some of the present programs and new programs may be curtailed or delayed this year or may be abandoned until this present employment freeze is lifted entirely. A good example of the delay of particularly the Dental Health Travel Team, which has this year been expanded, because of the employment freeze the dental team will not be able to make their field trips because they

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