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## Bud for Guv

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If elected governor, Republican Candidate L.E. "Bud" Kretsinger said he would take on an advisory role, working to get the 'right' people in government.

Kretsinger said he is running for governor because as a homeowner, he would like to "sleep in peace," as a taxpayer he would like to have more control and as a small businessman, he would like to "show a profit."

Speaking to a small audience at the University last Friday, Kretsinger said he has no political experience, nor does he have all the answers.

"I can just use the knowledge I've got in the years behind me to the best of my ability," he said.

Generally speaking, Kretsinger said he would like to get government back to the city and make it more efficient. He said government is "overwatered" and "overfertilized," resulting in its growth. Government needs more management, he added.

Kretsinger is in favor of controlled and regulated gambling in Oregon. The profit could be used for education or homeowners, he said.

The state police force should be given "more

teeth," Kretsinger said. He would like to eliminate drug traffic across the Oregon borders, but said the state hasn't given the police weapons or laws with which to accomplish this.

More trees should be harvested to cut inflation according to Kretsinger. He said Oregon is one of the three main timber states, but it's not "harvesting the timber it should."

Kretsinger is also against welfare funding of abortions.

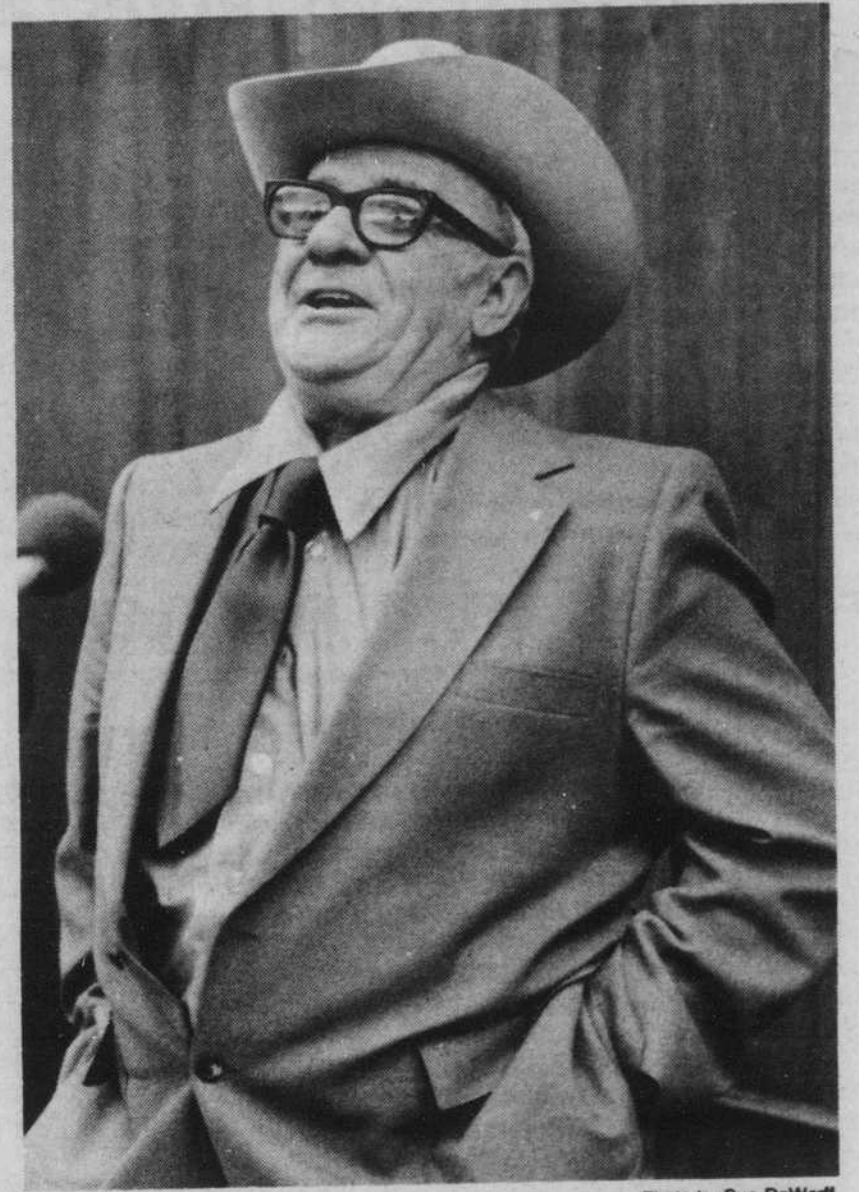
"You might need a car a whole lot worse than someone in that predicament," he said, and the government won't fund a car.

"We gotta have nuclear power," said Kretsinger, but he added that waste should be eliminated. He said he feels gays "need to be policed."

He also said he doesn't think the drinking age should be lowered. "I've never really been for it," he said, despite the fact that he's in the liquor business.

If defeated, Kretsinger said he won't lose any sleep over it. He said his campaign is limited due to lack of money.

"When I see the amount of money some of these people are getting, I am appalled," he said. "We're just doing the best we can with what we have."



Bud Kretsinger

Photo by Sue DeWerrf

## Quota controversy continues as whales die

ON THE ARCTIC OCEAN ICE (AP) — Come home! The crews huddled on the ice several miles from the shore heard the plea throughout the afternoon on the local public radio station.

The message was sent by the senior whaling captains of Barrow, the nation's northernmost village. Both the Alaskan Eskimo Whaling Commission and the Barrow Whalers Association urged the crews to avoid a confrontation with federal agents, who had ac-

cused Barrow crews of taking too many bowhead whales.

The issue was the first quota on the 2,000-year-old subsistence hunt. The quota was set by the International Whaling Commission, which feared the bowhead was nearing extinction. No commercial hunting of the bowhead has been allowed for more than 35 years.

In the broadcast message, chairman Jacob Adams of the Eskimo commission told the whalers

to cooperate in hopes the U.S. government would support Eskimo efforts to have the quota lifted.

Shortly after the broadcast, several of the more than 20 crews passed by, towing home their umiaks, 30-foot long wood frame ships covered with seal skin. The boats hold a crew of up to six men.

By the time the sun finally dipped into the placid water early Sunday only one crew remained on the ice.

Billy Neakok and his crew vowed to hunt until they got a whale, despite threats of federal prosecution and of ostracism by their own people.

They had moved their camp, camouflaged with chunks of ice, to within a few feet of the remains of the controversial fourth whale taken by the villagers. Under the quota, Barrow was entitled to three whales.

Mil Zahn, chief of enforcement for the National Marine Fisheries Service, said quota violations

would be prosecuted, but the said agents weren't likely to go out on the ice and force a confrontation. He noted it was the first quota, and that Barrow has taken more than 20 whales in some years. He said, "We want to be reasonable." I was impressed by Jacob Adams' message to stop hunting...they're setting the tone for the future," Zahn said.

There were some anxious moments, however, after the senior captains made their appeal because another Eskimo leader — not a commission member — went on the radio to urge the crews to continue. He contended only two of the four whales taken were bowheads, and thus the village was entitled to one more. But Adams prevailed.

Some whalers had contended two of the whales were right whales, and thus not subject to the bowhead quota. The issue apparently arose partly because the Eskimo language has two words for bowheads, depending on their

size and shape. Zahn, however, said bowheads are a type of right whale.

Federal biologists also said bowheads were the only type of right whale in the area, and their examinations of the four whales indicated all were bowheads.

Adams, speaking softly but deliberately, said there was a genuine belief among his people that two of the whales should not be counted as bowheads.

Adams, wearing a whale button from the anti-whale hunting Greenpeace Foundation, added, "We want to cooperate. We're hoping that if we do, the federal government will try to get the IWC to lift the quota." Adams and other Eskimo commission members had decided to ask the crews to come back after several meetings with federal agents.

The fourth whale had been taken Wednesday evening, and a few hours later a fifth whale was struck and lost.

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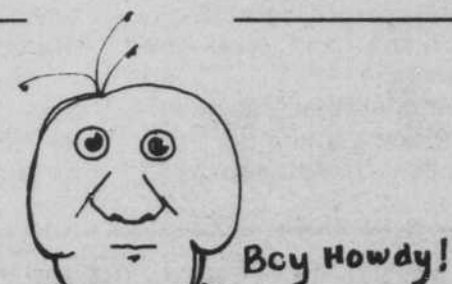
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