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Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower

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My Dear General: Press reports of your Gunday press conference quote you as having said xx with respect to the Tidelands issue quote I understand the Supreme Court And in favor of the federal government in the Tidelands oil fight and I am one who obeys the Supreme Court end quote. If this quotation is correct I am sure it is due to your being misinformed. The River Supreme Court has never held that the Tidelands belonged to the United States. It has held only that the Federal government had nearmentnetkhten paramount rights to them. Both houses of Congress kninexkninkninkninknink kakaraxtaxthex since the Supreme xeut Court decision have enacted legislation vesting ownership in the states and twice it has been vetoed by the President. Here in Texas where tidelands is seek of vital importance xix and the state occupies a different status from that of other states because of the terms of the treaty of annexation we are vigorusly fi hting the federal ownership theory and for overriding the President's week veto. With all good wishes Gincerely Amon Carter