Pillifant Resigns Post As BIA Superintendent

Thomas Pillifant, Anchorage district superintendent of the Bureau of Indian Affairs since 1966, resigned that position last week. The resignation will become effective on March 2.

The resignation was announced by Commissioner of Indian Affairs Robert L. Bennett during his trip to Anchorage to attend the BIA conference on the theme of "A Positive Self-Image for the Alaska Native Learner."

During his tenure of office

in Anchorage, Pillifant often took part in the affairs of native organizations in an advisory capacity.

Commissioner Bennett said the vacancy left by Pillifant would be filled by an Alaska native person and that the announcement would be made soon,

Pillifant resigned for personal reasons. He plans to live in Anchorage and enter private business Bennett said,