

# AEC Opens Anchorage Info Office

The Atomic Energy Commission will establish an Alaska information office effective July 14 at Suite 205, 2550 Spenard Road, Anchorage, Alaska 99503.

The office will be manned by personnel from the Nevada Operations Office at Las Vegas, Nevada, until completion of the first underground nuclear calibration test tentatively scheduled for the fall of 1969.

The calibration test with a design yield conducted in Nevada, will aid the AEC in determining whether Amchitka Island can be used for tests of higher yields which are required for national defense purposes.

Three underground tests in the approximate range of the Amchitka calibration event have been conducted during the past 18 months, two of them at the AEC's Nevada test site near Las Vegas and one at a supplemental test area in central Nevada.

The Alaskan information office will be open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. local time. The telephone number is Area Code 907-272-4585. The office will be a point of contact with the AEC for news media officials and the public. Printed materials, motion picture films, slide presentations and displays will be available.

Organizations, groups and schools are invited to call on the information office for motion picture and slide showings, talks, briefings, and conferences about

AEC activities including safety precautions taken to assure that testing does not damage man, man-made structures or the environment.

Dixon Stewart of the AEC's Nevada Operations Office is the first information officer assigned to the Alaskan Office.

He has been associated with the nuclear testing program since 1957 and has participated in more than 200 underground tests at the Nevada test site.