ASHA Employs Melvin Charlie

The employment of Melvin Charlie as Assistant to Charles Booher, the Alaska State Housing Authority's Remote Housing Coordinator, has been announced by Executive Director Jay Mueller.

His duties will involve working directly with the natives in the outlying villages which will receive new housing under the Remote Housing Program ASHA is administering.

The first ten villages to participate in the initial phase of the program, involving one million dollars from Federal Funds and a 10 percent share appropriation from the State, have been selected.

Charlie will contact the vill-

agers to explain the program and obtain individual applications for the new housing or repair of the present housing.

Approximately 175 to 200 homes will be built or repaired with this first appropriation, and the villagers themselves will construct the homes under supervision of carpenter foremen. ASHA will furnish the design, building materials, and supervision.

Charlie was born in Nenana and went to school in Minto. He graduated from the Mt. Edgecumbe High School in 1966 and is also a graduate of Haskell Institute in Lawrence, Kansas, where his major was electricity.

He recently was employed by the Alaska Village Electric Co-op, and has also been employed by the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Yutana Barge Lines. The 25year-old Assistant Coordinator resides in Mountain View.