## Rush on for

## **Business** grants

When the BIA announced early in December that they would be accepting business enterprise grant applications until the end of the year, a Christmas rush began for the staff of AFN's Alaskan Economic Development Office.
At mid-month the AEDO Director, Nick Landis, was

travelling to Kotzebue and Dillingham, Sammy Lamebull was in Fairbanks working with TCC's new credit officer, while Herb Cotton stayed in the Anchorage office finishing a number of loan packages.

· Cooperating with AFN's Technical Assistance Division, AEDO anticipates that it will be involved in the preparation of 25 to 30 grant applications. The staff's travels this month have, in addition, resulted in a number of contacts concerning future business projects.

The Alaskan Economic Development Office is available to give technical assistance to minority-group individuals, partnerships, or corporations in establishing or expanding a business. AEDO's offices are at 4489 Business Park Boulevard in

Anchorage.