19 HEW Officials Arrive in Alaska

Nineteen officials from the U.S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare arrived this week in Alaska on September 20th.

The delegation, headed by Bernard E. Kelly, Regional Director for HEW's Northwest Region X office, located in Seattle, Washington, is comprised of representatives from the Office of Child Development, Hospital Facilities Construction, Social Security Administration and the Office of Education.

While in Alaska they will spend seven days touring the areas of Juneau, Anchorage, Fairbanks, Barrow, Kotzebue, Nome and Bethel. George Irvin, Community Representative for the Office of Child Development, who will be accompanying them on this tour, stated that their itinerary will include meetings with state officials from the Governor's Office, Department of Health and Welfare, Department of Education and the Public Health Service hospitals.

For most of them, this will be their first trip to Alaska and they hope to glean as much information as possible in not only matters relating to health, education, and welfare, but also, land claims, employment, poverty conditions, housing, and state economy.