

102 Lacey Street—

# Fairbanks Native Welcome Center Moves to New Location

The Fairbanks Native Welcome Center moved into newer and larger quarters recently at 102 Lacey Street in the old Lettershop building—on Lacey and Wendell Streets.

Even in the confusion of moving, the new quarters are impressive. A wood paneled receptionist office greets visitors as they enter the front door of the center. Wood paneled offices house the nine Native organizations using the center.

In the back of the center, a recreation room features a ping pong table and a pool table. The former dining room of the Burlap Bucket restaurant, which once occupied the building, will become a coffee shop, according to Center Director Clara Carroll.

At the present time, funds have not yet been received for the projected Model Centers Program. The Fairbanks Native Welcome Center is one of four urban Indian centers in the country slated for federal funding for an extensive Indian-help program. The Fairbanks program is due to start some time

in April or May.

At the present time, the Welcome Center leases the ground floor of their two story building.

Apartments occupy the top floor. If funding becomes available, they have an option to buy the building.



**MISLEADING SIGNPOSTS**—Written information to the contrary, this building at 102 Lacey Street in Fairbanks houses neither a print shop nor Democratic headquarters. Actually, it is the new location of the Fairbanks Native Welcome Center, which moved in the first week of March. Inside, the Welcome Center has its offices and recreation rooms. They feature Native community activities as well as housing, employment and other aids to Native families coming to Fairbanks.