UA to Expand in Nome-Seward Peninsula Area-

Northwest Extension Center's Activities to Be Under Everett Kytonen

FAIRBANKS — The University of Alaska will expand its offerings in the Nome-Seward Peninsula area this fall, through a Northwest Extension Center.

Directing the center's activities will be Everett Kytonen, whose assignment with the center became effective Aug. 1. Kytonen is assistant administrator for the Nome-Beltz Regional High School and will work part-time as coordinator of university programs. The Nome Community College Advisory Board had requested establishment of the position at the Board of Regents meeting here July 14 and 15, "for the purpose of developing a college-level program in Northwest Alaska, plus assuring there is a continuity in the direction the people want to take and what the resources of the university are able to provide."

Kytonen explained the university's offerings would include credit and noncredit classes, vocational training, and special programs.

"Courses will be based on local demand, desire and need," the educator said. During the past year, a group of Nome residents worked with the Nome Community College Advisory Committee to determine such needs. Programs to be offered will be based on input such as this. Kytonen said.

In addition to the new position of coordinator of university programs, the university will have a full-time home economics agent based in Nome, as it has in the past.

Dr. Charles Lafferty, dean of statewide services, said other university staff members would travel to Nome from time to time to assist with expanded programs in the Northwest area. Kytonen has had fifteen

rograms in the Northwest area.

Kytonen has had fifteen years of experience as a teacher and counselor at the junior high school and high school level before moving to Nome in 1971 to become principal of the Nome Junior-Senior High School.

In January of 1972 he become coordinator for consolidation of the new Nome-Beltz Regional High School, and this fall will be its assistant administrator.

Kytonen holds a bachelor of science degree from Montana State University and in 1964 earned his master of education degree from Gonzaga University. He has since done work on a doctoral degree through Washington State University.

He and his wife Irma have four children, all of whom reside in Honolulu, Hawaii. His 17-year-old son Mark graduated from High school in Nome last spring and will attend college in Honolulu.