Fed. Field Committee Publishes Alaska Community Inventory

"Alaska Community Inventory" published by the Federal Field Committee for Development Planning in Alaska this month will be a welcome addition to research libraries.

It includes a profile of all

Alaskan communities of from 25 to 5,000 people except unincorporated suburbs of urban areas and military stations.

The book is a compilation of material from government agencies including U.S. Census Alaska Village Electric Cooperative, Alaska State Housing Authority, Farmers Home Administration, Bureau of Land Management and the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

"In cases where discrepancies were noted, the latest information was used, or the conflict was resolved by checking other sources," the report notes.

"Where population or housing

data differed from the U.S. Cen-

sus report, the Census figures were used. We belive this report summarizes the latest and best information available as of June 1, 1971."

The inventory covers 231 communities arranged in alphabetical order with one page for each community. The report on Ambler is typical.

AMBLER 1960 population, 70. 1970 population, 169.

Native population, 159, Percentage Native, 94 percent.

Form of government, Traditional Village.

Borough, Unorganized.
U.S. Census Division, Kobuk.
PHYSICAL FACILITIES
Water supply—river
Water distribution—No
Sewer system—No
Sewage treatment-No
Electric power—5KW Genera-

Power source—Diesel
Distribution system—Private
Homes connected—15

TRANSPORTATION
FACILITIES
Connections
Road
Airport—Scheduled airline service, 1,700 foot dirt strip.

Ferry Service Barge

Dock

HOUSING
Total units—33
New units built—16 mutual
help.
Units estimated substandard

SCHOOLS

Type—Rural
Enrollment—44
Grades covered—1 through 8
COMMUNITY FACILITIES
Community center—Yes
Library
Hotel Services—None
RurAL CAP Dev. Corp. office

at Kotzebue.
GOVERNMENT
INSTALLATIONS
Federal—USPS
State—Yes
Military—No
COMMUNITY SURVEYS
Townsite survey—Aug.-Oct.
1966.
Comprehensive Plan—No

Overall Economic Development Plan-No

PHYSICAL HAZARDS
Flood hazard—High; Stream
overflow.
Permafrost—Yes
Erosion hazard—Yes

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OTHER
Business places—3
Economic base—Subsistence