

# Young Man Wins Commendation

A Fort Yukon Youth Corps worker, James Ward Jr., 18, recently received a letter of commendation from Sanford Peterson, area manager of the Federal Aviation Agency, for his outstanding work last summer with the Fort Yukon FAA facility.

Ward was one of 24 Ft. Yukon youths working under the State sponsored Rural Youth Corps program under the management and supervision of the Ft. Yukon City Council. He was assigned to the Ft. Yukon FAA facility in a work-experience position by the Youth Corps there.

The letter to Ward read: "Since you began working with FAA personnel on July 6, 1965 as a member of the Nei-

ghborhood Youth Corps, we have been aware of your outstanding performance, and are pleased to commend you on the diligence you have shown on all your assignments. Specifically we have noticed your potentials in the field of mechanics, and your ability to perform new tasks with a minimum of supervision.

"We sincerely hope that the training you have received with us will aid you in future endeavors, and will be glad to recommend you for future employment with FAA or other employers," the letter said.

James Ward Jr. is presently in the 11th grade in the Ft. Yukon High School, and plans to attend a trade school after high school.

He has three brothers and sisters and is the son of James Ward Sr. of Ft. Yukon and Shuman House on the Porcupine River.

The Ft. Yukon Youth Corps project was part of the statewide Youth Corps Program employing more than 1,000 youths last summer. The program was managed and sponsored locally by the city council.

The youths were placed in work experience positions where possible, or worked on community sponsored work projects. In addition the youths received individual and group counseling under the guidance of the city council.