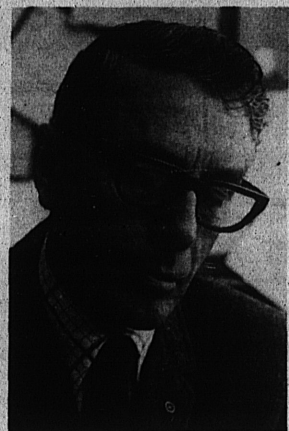


# Dr. Charles Lafferty Retires from UA Service



**DR. CHARLES LAFFERTY**

**FAIRBANKS** — The Dean of the University of Alaska Division of Continuing Education and Summer Sessions, Dr. Charles W. Lafferty, will retire from his post on the Fairbanks campus on June 30, 1975.

Lafferty, 61, has been with the university since July, 1969. At his retirement he will have worked for the school for six years.

Prior to coming to the university Lafferty served the Fairbanks area as superintendent of schools for eight years. He

headed the Fairbanks Independent School District from 1961-1963. When the borough was formed he became superintendent of the Fairbanks North Star Borough School District, a position he held until 1969.

Lafferty said immediate plans call for a trip Outside for himself and his wife Marguerite. He said he plans to spend a year "traveling throughout the U.S. visiting universities with innovative outreach programs and educational delivery systems, especially those relating to extension work."

It was through Lafferty's efforts that many of the programs in the university's division of continuing education were started and have

flourished.

These include military extension programs, correspondence study, short courses and conferences, summer sessions, adult vocational programs, rural business education, adult basic education, and extension centers throughout the university's Northern Region.

There are now seven university extension centers through which university courses are offered in remote areas of the Northern Region. When Lafferty came to the campus in 1969 there were none.

The centers, located at Tok, Delta Junction, Fort Yukon, Nome, Barrow, Kotzebue, and the Nenana-Clear-Healy area, are staffed by full-time people in

some cases and by part-time employees in others.

At Nome the university has constructed an extension center facility, and plans are being made to construct one at Kotzebue in the near future. In other locations available schools and buildings are used for extension courses.

The provost for the Northern Region, Earl Beistline, said Lafferty has "pioneered numerous facets of off-campus instruction in various communities and as such has provided a solid base upon which higher and adult education will continue to develop."

Lafferty said he will still consider Alaska his home and he hopes to return to Fairbanks after a year of independent study.