Kotzebue Manpower Center

Citizens and government officials all over western Alaska gathered for the opening of the Kotzebue Manpower Center last Wednesday to meet Governor Miller's representative Glenn Hackney (Special Assistant) and Commissioner of Labor Thomas Moore.

Hackney said: "This is one more step in the continued expansion of the Governor's Human Resources Development Program."

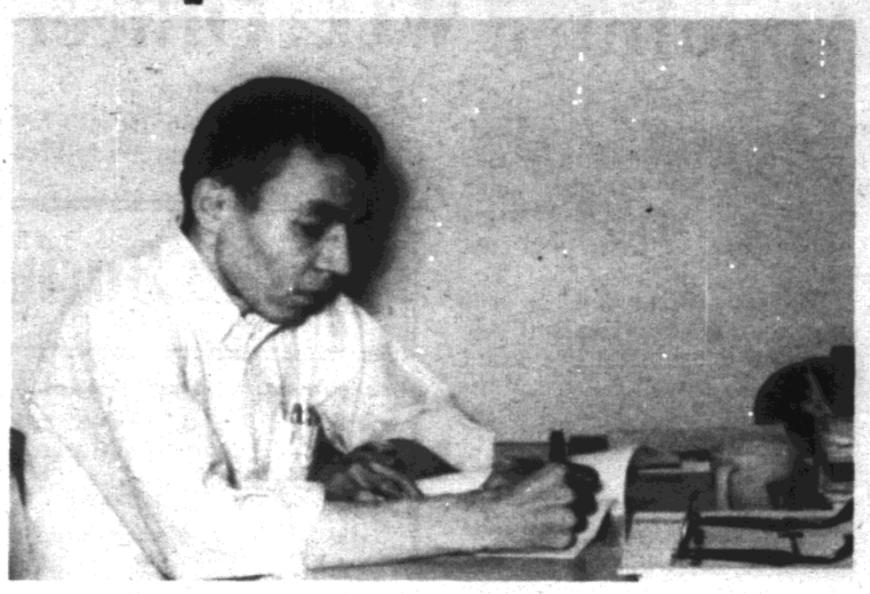
Commissioner Moore praised the City of Kotzebue for donating the land for the new building and lending their support in helping the unemployed and the handicapped.

The office, administered through the Nome Manpower Center, is managed by Don Miller, a native of Kotzebue.

Miller was recently trained in furthering manpower programs in northwestern Alaska.

Other officials representing the State were Stuart Bowdoin, Director of the Employment Security Division and Bert Finley, Assistant Director. Bob Potter, Veterans Affairs Representative advised the new manager on veterans programs.

Senator Blodgett from Teller was a welcome guest at the opening and lent his support to the



MANAGER-Don Miller in charge of Kotzebue Manpower Center.

new office. Bill Bramkamp, Manager of the Nome Manpower Center said:

"We are very happy to have this new office. Now we are going to reach more men and women than we ever have, and with our successful programs we hope to create more jobs and train more people in new skills than has ever been seen in northwestern Alaska."

The Kotzebue Manpower Center will provide job development and placement for the unemployed, unemployment insurance mail claims, the "Work Incentive" program for welfare

mothers, and Job Corps, and intensified efforts in outreach to the villages. Other outreach offices are in Bethel, Glennallen and Barrow.