

First Edition Of Alaska Blue Book Out

JUNEAU — The first edition of the Alaska Blue Book, a catalogue of information and data and selected articles about the state, is ready for distribution, Governor William A. Egan said.

The Blue Book, commissioned by the 1972 Legislature, is an official directory of all state officials, departments, agencies, institutions, boards and commissions.

Also included in the 264-page volume are three articles — a history of Alaska to statehood by Bob DeArmond; the Alaskan economy, by Frank Homan; and Native Land Claims by Esther Wunnicke.

There is a section of statistical information on population, fisheries, agriculture and timber; a complete listing of Alaska zip codes; even a history of Alaska's flag and official song, complete with sheet music.

Pictures and biographies of the executive, legislative and judicial branches of state government are included in the Blue Book.

The book is to be published biannually by the Division of State Libraries and furnished to selected state agencies, libraries and schools as a reference volume.

It also is available to the general public at \$5 a copy from the State Library, Pouch G, Juneau, Alaska 99801.