

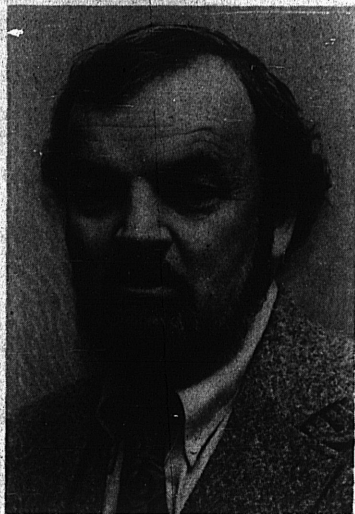
# Diebold chosen as new U of A boss

**FAIRBANKS—Foster F. Diebold**, formerly executive secretary to the Board of Regents and chief administrator of the University of Alaska, has been appointed president of the statewide institution.

Diebold, 45, will serve as president until June 30, 1979. In the interim, the regents will conduct a full-scale search for a new permanent president. This new search is not expected to begin before next fall.

The regents, meeting on the Fairbanks campus last Thursday and Friday, voted unanimously to appoint Diebold to the presidency. In doing so they stipulated he may not be a candidate for president when the new search begins.

Following former President Neil Humphrey's surprise resignation last December after little more than four months on the job, the regents called upon Diebold to run the university pend-



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ing the appointment of a new president, giving him the title of chief administrator. Now he is president with all the powers of that office.

"I'm grateful to the regents for their confidence in me and for this opportunity to serve the people of the state," said Diebold following the regents' action. "I pledge my best efforts on behalf of the University of Alaska."

As president, Diebold will receive a salary of \$63,086 a year, the same as Humphrey's, and occupy the president's home on the Fairbanks campus.

Diebold came to the University of Alaska in mid-1976 after seven years as director of the Division of College Development at 30,000-student Kean College of New Jersey (formerly Newark State College). He was also one of that college's four executive officers.

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Vietnam era veterans with no service in the Korean Conflict average 29 years of age, reports the VA. The average age of all veterans is 46.5 years.

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