Dr. John Lee Retiring

Dr. John F. Lee, Director of the Alaska Area Native Health Service, has announced his retirement as of August 31, 1975.

Dr. Lee will retire after 25 years of Government Service.

He began his Government career with 3 1/2 years of Army service during World War II; 5 years of service in the PHS Marine Hospital at Boston; 6 months of sea duty with the U.S. Coast Guard; a total of 5 years in the southwest including Tuba City, Arizona and Gallop, New Mexico; 2 years with the Peace Corps in Ethiopia; 2 years in Aberdeen and finally the last seven years as the Director, Alaska Area Native Health Service.

During Dr. Lee's career in Alaska many changes and achievements have been made: the development of the Community Health Aide Program; the village built clinic program; the otitis media program; the progress of consumer participation in direct delivery of health care; the organization of the Native health boards and now the 12 regional health corporations; the development of satellite communications: the institution of community health development contracts with Native organizations; the accreditation of six of our seven hospitals and other achievements.

Dr. Lee is a graduate of the University of Wyoming and Georgetown University Medical School and received his Masters in Public Health degree at the University of California, Berkeley.

Dr. Lee and his family plan to remain in Alaska