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FNA'S SERVICES SPE

Famed Advisor To Be Bartlett Lecturer at UA

FAIRBANKS - Dr. Walter W. Heller – economic advisor to Presidents John F. Kennedy and Heller Lyndon B. Johnson and still an occasional consultant to the national administration - is the University of Alaska's 1975 Bartlett Lecturer.

The eminent economist, who has been called "Mr. Tax Cut" and the "Father of the New Economics" for his advocacy of



DR. WALTER HELLER

government action to stimulate economic activity, will be on the Fairbanks campus the week of Oct. 13 to lecture and meet with students

While in Fairbanks, Heller, to be accompanied by his wife, will also get together with university economists, be interviewed on KUAC-TV, the university's (Continued on Page 6)

NOAA Launches Pipeline Survey

The Commerce Department's National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration has begun a geodetic survey along a 435-mile segment of the Alaskan oil pipeline which will enable engineers to detect the results of

seismic activity.

The survey is being conducted under a cooperative agreement with the Alyeska Pipeline Company, the consortium of petroleum firms building the

petroleum firms building the pipeline.

The estimated cost of the survey, which began at Prudhoe Bay and will be completed in a bout 4-1/2 months, is approximately \$170,000 to be shared equally by each party. An 18-man party headed by Robert Gerrish of Potsdam, N.Y., is making the survey.

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Under the agreement, NOAA's National Geodetic Survey will establish a line of fixed markers (bench marks) along the pipeline (Continued on Page 6)



MRS. GERALD FORD (left) receiving Eskimo basket from Nancy Hanks (right), Chairman of the National Endowment for the Arts, at the White House, June 10, 1975.

Council Presents Basket to Mrs. Ford

The Alaska State Council on the Arts has presented Mrs. Gerald Ford with an Alaskan Eskimo grass basket. The basket was presented as a token of appreciation for Mrs. Ford's ntinued support of and interest in indigenous American crafts.

The basket, made by Theresa Anthony of Nightmute, Alaska, is an example of traditional Eskimo grass basketry. The embroidered

design in dyed grass depicts a man in a kayak on a seal hunt.

The gift to Mrs. Ford was displayed at the Governor's Awards dinner which climaxed the three-day State Hearing on the Arth held in Apphorage during Arts held in Anchorage during March.

The Hearing, which was sponsored by the Alaska State Council on the Arts, was attended by over 200 arts professionals and

volunteers from throughout thestate

Connie Boochever of Juneau, Alaska, Chairman of the Alaska Council on the Arts requested Nancy Hanks, Chairman of the National Endowment for the Arts to present the basket to Mrs. Ford in Washington.

Ms. Hanks presented the basket to Mrs. Ford at the White House on June 10, 1975.

Vital Work Done By FNA Despite Mistaken Image

Note: The following article explains the origin of the Fairbanks Native Association an organization of which many Alaskans both Native and non-Native have a distorted image or who are not aware of. Natives are constantly being accused of receiving "Hand-outs."

But this is a story of people helping themselves and others, and a glimpse of how they're doing it:

FAIRBANKS - The Fairbanks FAIRBANKS — The Fairbanks
Native Association has received a
grant for \$25,000 from the
Department of Health, Education
and Welfare announced Lucy
Carlo, executive director.
The grant will be used to
determine the unmet needs of

urban Natives in Fairbanks.

To the casual observer, the Fairbanks Native Community Center, operated under the auspices of the FNA, appears on the outside to be a haven or hideaway for transients and derelict drunks.

But inside the walls of the worn building on Lacey Street, is the headquarters for a vast network of programs offering a variety of services to the Natives of Interior Alaska. Since the center, itself, is too small to house all the programs, several are located in other areas of the city.

For this reason, many Fairbanksans and visitors do not.



State's New Ombudsman

By JEFF RICHARDSON

Did you ever get the feeling that somebody in state government didn't like you? Does it ever seem that government moves a little slow to meet the needs of the people?

people?

To handle such complaints, the legislature has established the office of the State Ombudsman. Francis M. Flavin, formerly director of Alaska Legal Services, has been appointed to the post has been appointed to the post and is now in the process of organizing his staff.

Flavin told the Tundra Times

Havin told the Tundra Times the main function of the State Ombudsman is to "review citizens" complaints, concerning state agencies and to investigate them to find out if they are justified or unjustified."

Flavin said although he has not yet filled his staff positions, he has received about 20 complaints, He said he cannot handle complaints

said he cannot handle complaints about federal or local government officials, elected officials, or

judges.

He added however that he could the complaints about the



FRANCIS M. FLAVIN

administrative aspects of the legislative, executive and judicial branches of government.
Flavin said in addition to setting

up offices in Anchorage and Juneau, he would be travelling to

regional centers in the bush to

investigate complaints.

Working with an initial budget of \$116,500, Flavin must appoint

of \$116,500, Flavin must appoint a deputy, two administrative assistants and a secretary.

"There hasn't been a lot of direction given how the office should be set up," Flavin said, "The initiative has been left up to

He said the ombudsman concept has very strong support from the governor and legislators. Flavin is required to make an annual report to the legislature on the work of his office.

Stressing that his office will not function as an attorney's office, Flavin said complaints will be reviewed to determine if they fall within the jurisdiction of the State Ombudsman. If they do not, Flavin said his office would try to give a good referral to the person who brings the complaint.

Complaints that his office may review, Flavin said, will be investigated to determine if they

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LUCY CARLO Executive Director

realize the extent and variety of services the FNA provides.

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The Fairbanks Native
Association has been in existence
since the early sixties. When the
organization originally formed, it
offered mainly informal activities
for the city's Native people.
The center was and still is, a
friendly and casual meeting place

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