

UA Professionals Get Pay Raise

JUNEAU — Governor William A. Egan said recently that professional employees of the University of Alaska will receive a 4 per cent pay adjustment granted recently to most state employees, based on the cost of living increase from January through June, 1974.

The governor said a question that was raised as to whether the cost of living adjustment applied to university professional employees had been resolved favorably by the Alaska Department of Law.

Egan said the question arose because the basic salary schedule that was approved by the Legislature to include cost of living adjustments specified that pro-

fessional employees of the university were covered.

The 4 per cent pay increase was based on an increase of 6.84 per cent in the Consumer Price Index in Anchorage, through June. The legislation Egan referred to provides that a certain percentage of cost of living increases will be covered through adjustment of salaries during the contract year.

The increase was effective as of August 16.

University officials currently are engaged in collective bargaining with the American Federation of Teachers Local 2404 to reach a contract specifically applying to university personnel.