

# UA TV Station Given Green Light

The University of Alaska television station has been given the go-ahead to purchase equipment with its available funds.

Use of the UA funds was OK'ed after the station received word from the Department of Health, Education and Welfare that its recent \$441,402 grant application has been received and has passed preliminary study.

Don Upham, Television Coordinator, commented that an application made at the same time to the Federal Communications Commission for a construction permit has been accepted for filing by that agency and is now under active consideration.

According to University of Alaska television Chief Engineer, Richard Dowling, "The items

presently being purchased with available funds are electronic support equipment to aid in the synchronization, routing, distribution and testing of the television station's video and audio signals.

The major equipment purchases such as the studio cameras, transmitter, video tape recorder, film camera and projectors will be made later."

Transmitter construction for the UA television station is expected to begin by April 1 and regular programming is scheduled to start by September 1.

The station, which has applied to the FCC for use of channel 9, will broadcast in color a full range of public affairs, cultural, and informational programs which are available only to non-commercial television stations.