Tundra Times names ad salesman, bookkeeper

A new advertising salesman, bookkeeper and a temporary circulation salesperson have been hired by the Tundra Times, general manager George Gardner has announced.

Ralph Amouak, originally from Tanana and now living in Anchorage, has been hired as the advertising representative. Amouak has worked for 10 years as a Native alcoholism counselor and was the first Native alcoholism counselor in the state. He also trained other counselors and established the Alaska Native Commission on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse.

He attended the University of Iowa prior to working in alcoholism and is a Doyon shareholder.

A circulation drive is being conducted in Anchorage and will start up in the rural areas this fall,

Circulation worker Annitta Green has been responsible for getting the paper distributed in 33 new locations throughout Anchorage in boxes and on news stands.

Another Bush circulation drive will start in the fall, said Gardner, who will announce details at a later date.

Gardner also announced that

Mary Lekanof of Anchorage has been hired as part-time bookkeeper for the Tundra Times.

Mrs. Lekanof has been working in the newspaper office as an employee of the Howard Rock Foundation and will now work for both agencies.

She is active in the Johnson O'Malley program in Anchorage, is a member of the Aleut Corporation, a member of the St. George Village Corp., and is active in the Anchorage branch of Tlingit-Haida Central

Council. She is the mother of eight children, two of whom are living at home and is married to Flore Lekanof, president of the St. George Corp.

She is originally from Juneau.