

LUPC acting co-chairman

ANCHORAGE—Dr. George W. Rogers, a noted economist and professor at the University of Alaska-Juneau, was requested by Gov. Jay Hammond on Feb. 28, to serve as acting state co-chairman of the Joint Federal-State Land Use Planning Commission, succeeding David S. Jackman, who resigned rather than support the controversial "Cook Inlet" land trade.

The Land Use Planning Commission, at the request of the Alaska State Legislature, has scheduled a special meeting, March 5 and 6, to review the various issues pertaining to the proposed "Cook Inlet" land exchange settlement and make recommendations to the State Legislature. The State Legislature has until March 12 to approve the land trade.

Dr. Rogers stated that he has "no plans at the present time to be the full-time state co-chairman of the Joint Federal-State Commission," but is "very pleased to serve as the state co-chairman for this important meeting."

Dr. Rogers has a B.A., M.A. in economics from the University of California-Berkeley, and has obtained his Ph.D. from Harvard University. He came to Alaska in 1944 as the economic and price executive for the federal Office of Price Administration.

He served as economic advisor to two territorial governors, as chairman of the Department of the Interior's Alaska Field Committee, and as a technical consultant to the Alaska State Constitutional Convention and several agencies of the new state.

He was a Carnegie Visiting Professor of Economics at the University of Alaska-Fairbanks, where he assisted in the establishment of an Institute for Business Economics, and Government Research.

In 1967-68, he was employed as a Visiting Scholar at the Scott-Polar Research Institute, University of Cambridge,

England. The author of numerous books, he has served on various committees of the National Academy of Sciences, and has been a member of the Juneau Civil Council and the Juneau Borough Assembly.

Dr. Rogers is married, has six children, and lives in Juneau, Alaska.