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## 3500 Attend International Treaty Convention

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The participating Indian Tribes during the eight day International Treaty Convention at Chief Call Inn on the Standing Rock Sioux Reservation June 8-16 formed a First International Indian Treaty Council from which the position papers titled "Declaration of Continuing Independence" was produced.

The five page position paper released at the conclusion of the conventions states that the established International Indian Treaty Council will work for enforcement of Indian Treaties. The Council will establish offices in New York City and Washington D.C. to approach the international forces necessary to obtain the recognition of the treaties.

The paper said, "it would negotiate with the United States State Department to establish diplomatic relation of Indian Treaties. The Declaration also said the indeginous nations would reject all laws and judicial decisions involving them since 1871, including the Indian Re-organization Act of 1934 and the Indian Claims Commission Act."

Traditional Indian tribesmen from all parts of the country spoke at various meetings. Several lawyers, expert in both domestic and international laws, also spoke at workshops and meetings. AIM supporters and several international delegates from South America, Germany, England and Italy observed some of the sessions during the convention.

Throughout the convention, discussions were focused on water rights, health and education problems and strip mining. Particularly the recent Indian Claims Commissions regarding the Black Hills in South Dakota.

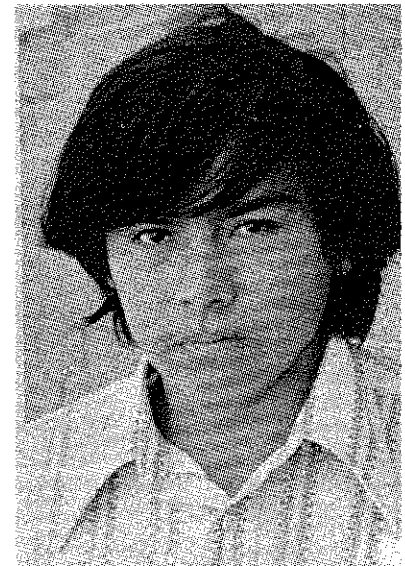
More than a thousand visitors and participants registered by noon on the first day. By the end of the week, some 3500 persons from 100 different tribes, 49 states and nearly a dozen countries registered. Most of the attendees pitched their tents around the "Big Top." The latter is used for general assemblies and nightly pow-wows.

AIM security personnel guarded the Convention ground around the clock and searched all vehicles entering the site for arms, alcohol and drugs. About 50 BIA police cars and more policemen were called into Fort Yates for the duration of the Convention.

Some 200 extra Highway Troopers and Federal agents patrolled Mobridge and areas near the bridge connection Chief Gall Inn. South Dakota Highway Patrol's low flying aircrafts surveying, over the convention site often disrupted speakers inside the "Big Top" and deafened the conventioners' ears.

An outbreak of hepatitis among several people inside the convention grounds was quickly overcome by a team of Medix and doctor. An AIM member flew his private plane to pick up gamma globulin serum and medical supplies from Denver, Col., Omaha, Neb., Rapid City, S.D., and Minneapolis, Minn. within a thirty-hour period. All persons before leaving the convention site were required to be innoculated against hepatitis.

## Walks Is Student Of The Month



**Thomas Walks**

Thomas Walks of Crow Agency, Mont., a trainee in Building Trades, was selected Student of the Month at United Tribes Employment Training Center. (UTETC). Walks received incentive awards in vocation, Adult Basic Education (ABE) and perfect attendance for the month of May.

The honor of Student of the Month is given to the student with the most incentive awards. Incentive awards are given as a motivation and recognition of a good job. The awards are given in the areas of vocation, ABE, Personal Development, women's and men's dorms and social services.

Walks' wife, Georgia, is enrolled in the Nurse Aide vocation. They have three children, John, David and Lenwood.

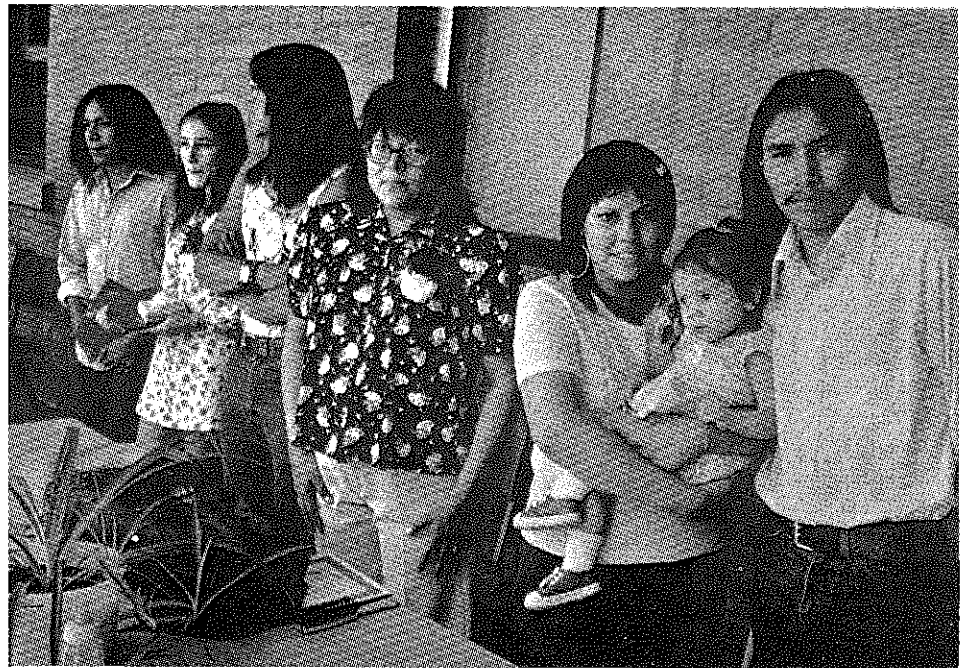
## Rehabilitation Program Aids In Prison To Community Transition

The Indian Offender Rehabilitation Program was begun in 1972 with Maxine McCaslin serving as coordinator. The program is designed to help Indian parolees make the transition from the penal institution to the community through the help of Indian organizations and, where possible, Indian ex-offenders.

Since the program started the number of Indian inmates at the North Dakota State Penitentiary has dropped from 57 to 15 and only 13 percent of the parolees have returned to prison. This percentage is far below the national average. Mrs. McCaslin said the reason for this is that the parolees are working with Indians and therefore can relate their problems and come to an understanding better than they could with non-Indians.

Mrs. McCaslin also said that upon release many of the parolees go back to school for training, or their GED. If not, she tries to place them in jobs around Bismarck or out of state. This, she said, enables the individuals a chance to get off the reservation and away from the root of previous problems. As of now three of the parolees have completed vocational training at UTETC.

Before becoming coordinator Mrs. McCaslin, a native of Fort Totten, worked at the Sylmar Juvenile Hall in Los Angeles and as Juvenile Commissioner at Fort Totten.



The graduates are [left to right]: Earl Montoya, Erika Montoya, Greg Black Cloud, Rachel N'Wanape, Darrell Iron Shooter, and Carleen Iron Shooter.

## Seven Students Graduate

Seven UTETC students received their graduation diplomas at ceremonies held June 20 on campus.

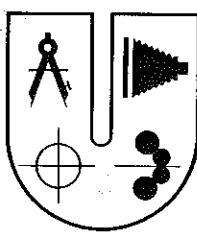
Warren Means, Executive Director of UTETC, presented the diplomas to the students. Jim Mohler, member of the State Board of Vocation Education and first instructor in Business Clerical at UTETC, was guest speaker.

Graduating students and respective vocations were Greg Black Cloud, Standing Rock, N.D., Automotive; Darrell and Carleen Iron Shooter, Turtle Mountain, N.D., Automotive and Painting; Earl and Erika Montoya, Northern Pueblos, N.M., Painting and Nurse Aide; Rachel N'Wanape, Turtle Mountain, N.D., Police Science; and Theron Wyasket, Ute, Col., Auto Body.

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## UTETC HAS POLICE SCIENCE WORKSHOP

Thirty-six men and four women, representing 10 reservations throughout North Dakota, South Dakota, and Nebraska, attended a two-week Police Science workshop here May 28-June 6. The workshop was sponsored by the Law Enforcement Association Administration of Aberdeen, S.D.

Bob Harvey, instructor in Police Science, headed the staff at the two-week session. He was assisted by the BIA office at Aberdeen and the Brigham City, Utah Police Academy. The 80 hour program consisted of instruction in criminal and reservation law, traffic accident investigation, firearms safety and patrol procedures.

Harvey said most of the participants were new recruits who would be used in temporary jobs and special assignments at their respective reservations.

## LOWER BRULE TO SPONSOR LAKOTA NATION TRADE FAIR

The Lower Brule Sioux Tribe at Lower Brule, S.D. is to sponsor the First Annual Renewal of the Lakota Nation Trade Fair August 8-11. Grace Estes, co-chairman of the fair committee, said the fair has not been held since the establishment of the reservation.

The purposes for the renewal of the fair is the establishment of a market for Indian made arts and crafts and to provide an opportunity to share the experience of one of American's many heritages.

Donations for the fair will be appreciated. Please send them to Allen "Chuck" Ross, Lower Brule Agency, Lower Brule, S.D. 57548. Make checks payable to: Lower Brule Sioux Tribe.



The eighth grade graduates are [left to right]: Anna Shoots The Enemy, Linda Azure, Lori St. John, Kelly Brave Bull, and Nadine Virgil. In the front row [left to right]: Cyril Cook, Tony Starr, and Ernest Azure.

## Jamerson Elementary Has First Eighth Grade Graduation

The first graduating class of Theodore Jamerson Elementary School at UTETC was graduated June 4.

Shirley Plume, superintendent at Standing Rock Agency, was guest speaker at the ceremonies. She explained to the class and audience the great emphasis Indian people place on Indian culture and tradition. "On graduation day we put an emphasis on one of these traditions, education.

"We need skills to survive in this country. Learning is power, once you have it nobody can take it away."

Mrs. Plume said she hoped the students would continue their

education and finish high school. "Education is something you never finish, it is a life long process."

Randy Plume, acting elementary principal and instructor, and Anne Kuyper, acting education manager and supervisor of Personal Development, presented the diplomas.

Students completing the eighth grade were: Linda Azure, Belcourt, N.D.; Kelly Brave Bull, Bismarck; Anna Shoots The Enemy, McIntosh, S.D.; Lori St. John, Fort Thompson, S.D.; Nadine Virgil, Dulce, N.M.; Ernest Azure Jr. Belcourt; Cyril Cook, Eagle Butte, S.D.; and Tony Starr, Winnebago, Neb.



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## 200 DANCERS IN ANNUAL POW-WOW

The beating of drums and the high wail of singers floated across the prairie the weekend of June 28-30, as United Tribes sponsored their Third Annual Dancing Contest and Pow-Wow.

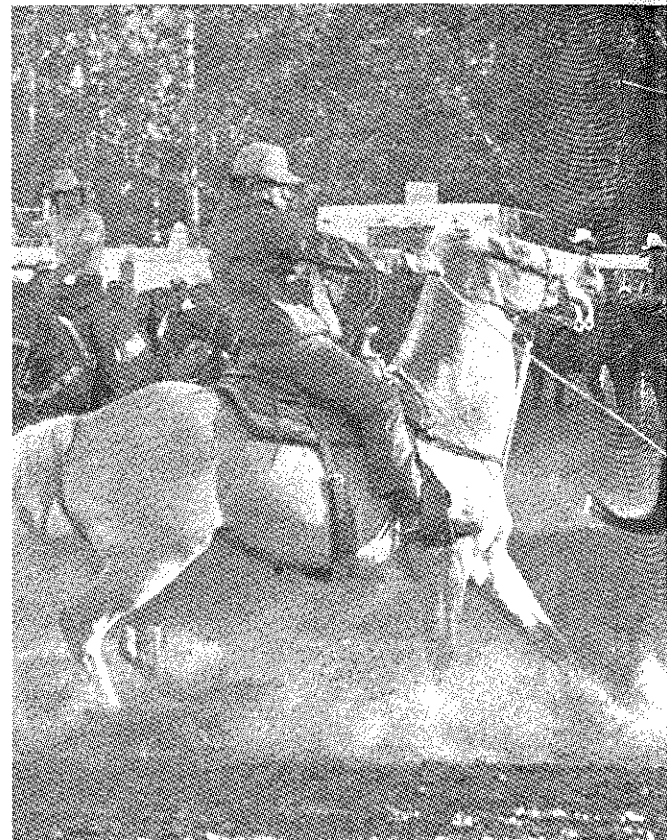
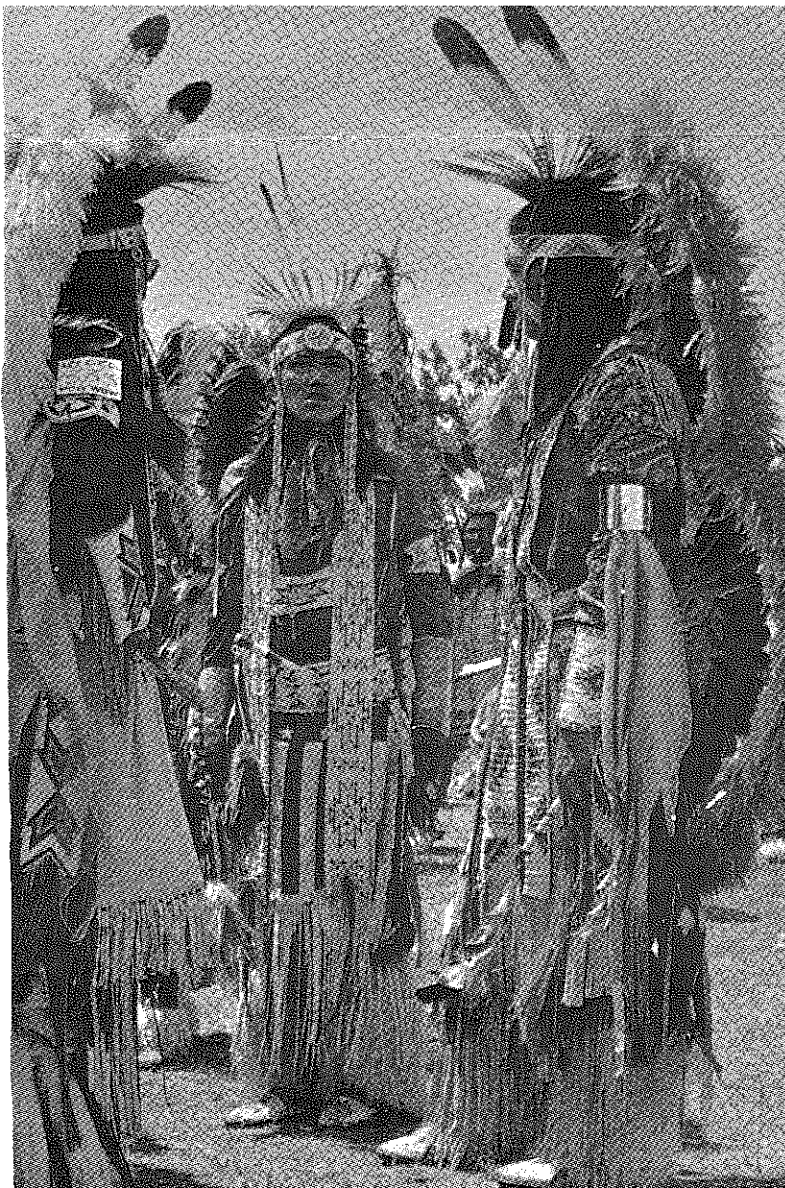
Pow-Wow Committee Chairman Dick Bad Mocasin stated that over 3,400 people and 200 dancers, representing 15 states from Minnesota to California, attended the three day event. Among those in attendance were AIM leader Russell Means and members of the National Federation of Press Women.

The winners and their respective divisions are: Marie Agard, Fort Yates, N.D., Little Girls under 10; Rose Merrick, St. Michaels, N.D., Little Girls 11-15; Marlin Demarce,

St. Michaels, Little Boys under 10; Junior Green Crow, St. Paul, Little Boys 11-15 and Juanita Whipple, ST. Paul, Women's Traditional.

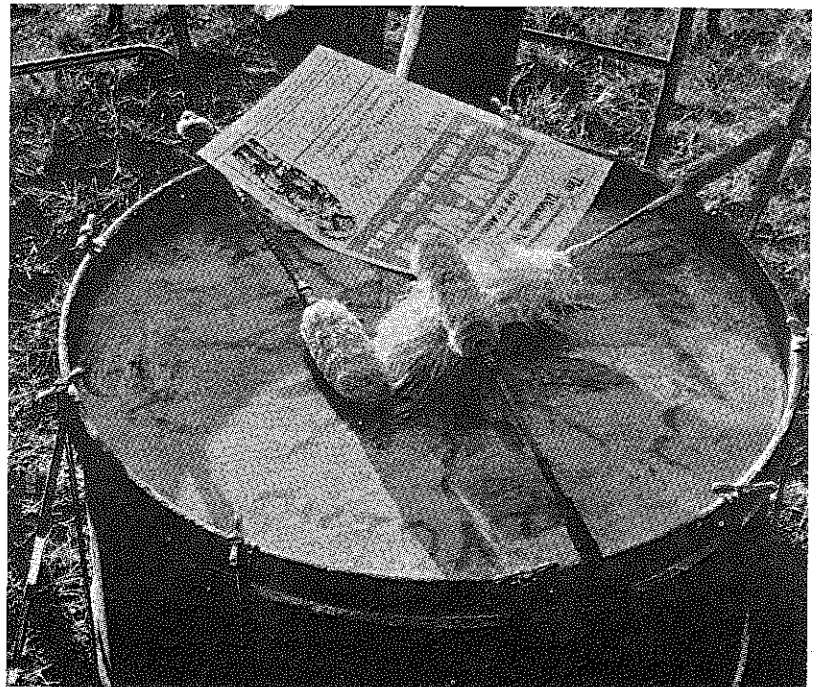
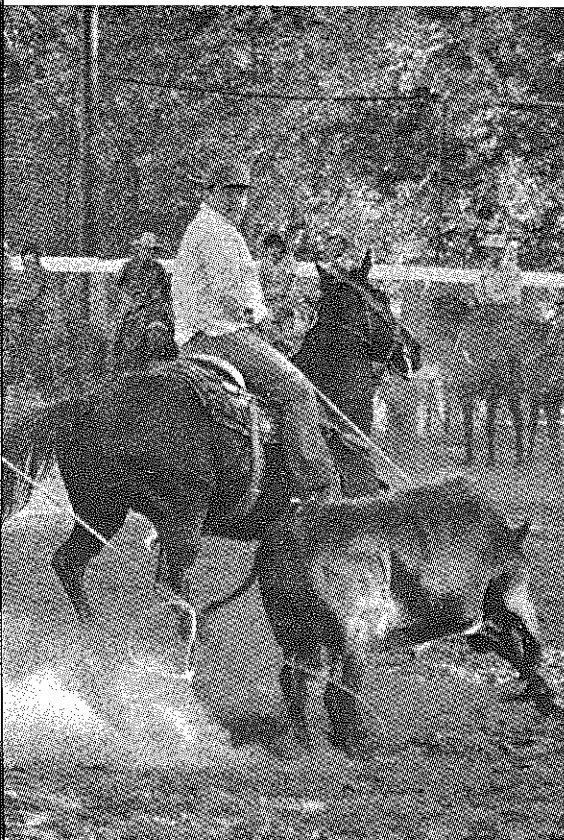
Other winners were: Tonia Ackerman, ST. Francis, S.D., Women's Shawl; Joe Bullhead, Fort Yates, Men's Traditional Non-Bustle; Steve Charging Eagle, Eagle Butte, S.D., Men's Traditional Bustle; Jim Macy, Warm Springs, Ore., Men's Fancy and the Porcupine Singers, Procupine, S.D., won the singing contest.

A team roping contest was conducted Friday evening and Billy Hall and Matt Foolish Bear, both from New Town, N.D., were the winners. United Tribes is to sponsor another Pow-Wow and Rodeo Sept. 6-8





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## Former Student Is State's 1st Woman Parole Officer

Joan Standing Bear, a recent graduate of UTETC, is the probation officer at Fort Yates, N.D. on the Standing Rock Reservation. She holds the honor as the first woman probation officer in North Dakota.

In her job, Mrs. Standing Bear has encouraged many people to attend UTETC. "Many people need a vocation and an education. UTETC offers many advantages and it is there for them.



Joan Standing Bear

"The Adult Basic Education classes gives the students a chance to work toward a diploma. The Personal Development courses help to rebuild yourself and also give you an understanding of the outside world and people."

While attending UTETC, Mrs. Standing Bear received her training in the Police Science vocation. Police Science, one of 10 vocations offered, is the only law enforcement accredited Police Science program in the United States.

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Participants in the language workshop are [left to right]: Dr. Douglas Parks, Chuck Yellow Bird, Mary Lou Aberle, Jane Kirchmeier, and Nelrene Yellow Bird. In the front row [left to right]: Alice White Bear, Florence White, Nellie Yellow Bird and Mary Gillette.

## UTETC Participates In Workshop

UTETC participated in a workshop entitled "Staff Development for Teaching Indian Languages" sponsored by Mary College May 27-31. The workshop was designed to provide an opportunity for native speakers of Indian languages to compile vocabulary, develop grammar, and prepare teaching materials for use in elementary and secondary schools and college classes.

Nelrene Yellow Bird, technician for Personnel/Central Records, accompanied four Arikara people from Fort Berthold to the workshop. She assisted in advising Dr. Douglas Parks of the Smithsonian Institute who directed the Arikara language resource program at the workshop.

Mary Lou Aberle and Jane Kirchmeier of the American Indian Curriculum Development Program (AICDP) staff met with the Arikara people. Mrs. Aberle presented materials which AICDP had developed and explained the need for materials about the Arikara people. The class divided into groups Wednesday and Thursday to enable Ms. Kirchmeier to discuss Arikara customs and future research.

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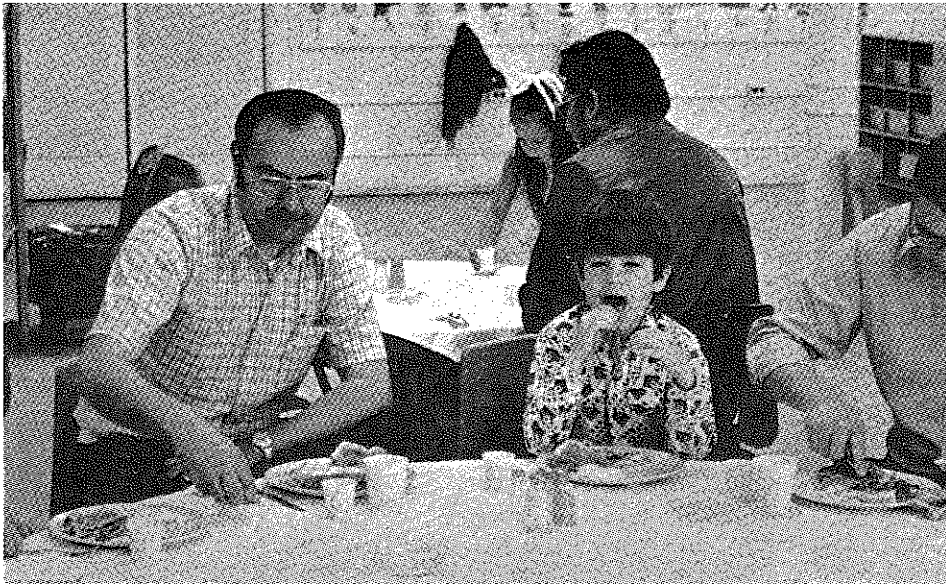
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## CDC Serves Father's Breakfast

Cramped knees, chuckles and grins were the order of the day for students and staff attending the First Annual Father's Day Breakfast in the pre-school building June 14.

Fathers of the children in the pre-school and male staff and students who took the roles of



Monty White Clay, Warren Means, Earnest Azure and Kathy Azure.

acting fathers, for children whose fathers were not there, took time off from their busy schedules to sit down and enjoy a hearty breakfast with the children. The children were from ages three to six.

The fathers attending the breakfast were Henry Rough Surface, Andrew Two Eagles, McKinley Ground, Melvin Farmer, Richard Weyaus, Roy Spotted War Bonnet, Ray Patnaude and Pat Wilkie.

Acting fathers for the children were Warren Means, Gene Charbonneau, Francis David, Dan Peltier, Bob Harvey, Jim Eslinger, Melvin Zander and Clifford Clauthier.

Pat Stuen, supervisor of the Child Development Center, said, "I would like to thank the staff, parents and students for making the first Father's Day Breakfast a success. A special thanks should be extended to the acting fathers for their good sportsmanship."

## Parole Officer . . . [continued]

Mrs. Standing Bear received her training at the Bismarck Prison Parole Office. She worked with Maxine McCaslin, supervisor of the Prison/Parole program of the United Tribes of North Dakota Development Corporation.

Mrs. Standing Bear said she received valuable experience while working with Mrs. McCaslin. "My job as probation officer was not very difficult because of my previous job experience. I had a pretty good idea what I had to do."

After graduation, the Job Placement department at UTETC helps students find jobs. "Job Placement helped me put my application in for the job of probation officer, but I was competing against several men; and a man with 23 years of experience was selected." Since then he has left as probation officer and Mrs. Standing Bear has replaced him.

"UTETC offers many advantages if a person wants to take advantage of it. But you have to really make up your mind to do something in life and settle down to become something, to help yourself and help other people. You have to get a vocation, get a job and hold your job. A year at UTETC will help prepare you for this."

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