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Funding approved for legal aid

BISMARCK - A state-wide program offering free legal assistance for North Dakota residents unable to afford attorney fees will soon be a reality, as the president of the program recently announced partial funding of the program from the federal government.

According to Ralph LePera, president of the newly incorporated Legal Assistance of North Dakota (LAND), \$143,303 of an expected \$223,000 grant has been received by LAND from the National Legal Services Corp.

LePera told the NEWS that the \$143,303 will maintain LAND offices in Devils Lake and Fargo, N.D. Presently existing legal aid offices which have operated in those cities under other programs have been consolidated under LAND.

The remainder of a LAND requested \$223,000 grant is expected before the end of the year. Once received, the money will provide for a LAND office in Bismarck.

(The National Legal Assistance Corp. is a federal corporation established in 1974 in order to fund legal

aid programs for the poor in states throughout the nation.)

LAND will provide free legal assistance in most civil matters for North Dakota residents whose annual incomes fall at or near the federal government's poverty level. Representation by LAND attorneys in criminal cases and in a handful of specified civil cases prohibited under the National Legal Assistance Corp. Act.

Organized earlier this year during a series of meetings between North Dakota lawyers and representatives from consumer and senior citizen groups, LAND is a consolidation of three previously existing legal service programs in the state: the Society for Legal Aid, serving Fargo and Cass County; the Legal Services for the Aged, serving persons over 60 years old state-wide; and a Community Action Program legal aid society at Devils Lake, serving the counties of Rolette, Towner, Cavalier, Benson, Ramsey, and Eddie.

According to LePera, the Legal Aid of North Dakota located at New Town on the Fort Berthold Reservation will remain separate from LAND for the foreseeable future, and will receive its funding through the Legal Services Corporation's Indian Desk.

Elected recently as officers for LAND were Michael Halpern, LAND vice president, and Marian Stine, LAND secretary. Halpern is a private attorney from Glen Ullin, while Stine is a staff attorney for the Legal Services for the Aged at Fargo.

LAND president Ralph LePera is chief legal counsel for the United Tribes Educational Technical Center at Bismarck.

According to LePera, LAND is presently advertising for an executive director and two staff attorneys, one for the expected Bismarck legal office and one for the Fargo office.



Supporting the women's program's symbol are (from l.) Marlene Ward, UTETC acting social services dean; program assistant Mary Ellen Snyder; program coordinator Mona Carolin; and program director Eddy Tyree.

Women's leadership program gets underway

Are you a woman and are shy and submissive and unsure of yourself and your abilities?

Do you lack self-confidence or are you uncertain of what career to pursue? Uncertain of whether to pursue a career at all?

Well, take heart. There's a special program underway at United Tribes made to order for just such a woman.

The program is the Women's Leadership Development Training Program. Funded by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare and sponsored by the United Tribes Educational Technical Center, it is the first program of its kind in the nation directed towards Indian women.

The Women's Leadership Program throughout the winter and spring will be helping women understand and cope with problems and stereotypes that come with womanhood in American society. It's thrust will be the development of self-esteem and self-confidence, while encouraging the productive use of leadership abilities.

"Women of all lifestyles and walks of life can benefit," said Program Director Dr. Eddy Tyree. "We're not a women's lib group, though we will draw some of our resources from liberation writings. We will address the basic but important needs of women in making their lives valuable, satisfying and successful."

The program begins Dec. 5 with a five-day conference stressing concepts of

self-discovery: "Who am I and how can I become the person I want to be." Held at the Kirkwood Motor Inn in Bismarck, the conference will use a variety of psychological techniques in order to get its women participants to look at themselves and assess their thoughts, feelings and self-concepts - physically, mentally, socially, and emotionally.

Following the conference and scheduled between January and May is a series of two-day workshops devoted to such topics as career options, legal rights and discrimination, social awareness, sexuality, value clarification, and decision-making.

The program will serve 60 participants from over 30 states and 50 tribes who were chosen from a number of applicants. While the program is geared towards women, particularly Indian women, it is also open to men.

"The emphasis is on Indian women because they are the one to get hit twice with inequities," said Tyree. "First, they are the objects of pressure and discrimination because they are Indian; and, second, because they are women."

The Women's Program, after completion of the conference and workshops, will remain at UTETC as a women's center, providing reference materials, books, films, and audio-visual materials for both groups and individuals seeking information on women-related problems and issues.

It's our birthday: here's what's up

With this issue, the NEWS begins its third year of publication. This October's issue is also the first paper to be published since July of this year. For those of you who have missed an August and September NEWS and have written or called our news offices wondering what happened to your paper, let us explain.

Our news staff during the past few months has been in a state of transition. Like most Indian newspapers, we rely almost exclusively on volunteer help to do our writing and photography and the production work needed to print the NEWS and get it mailed to you. July saw the departure of NEWS reporter Karen Hilfer who returned to college to complete her degree. Only recently have we gained the skills and services of three new reporters, Heather Kern, Jim Walker, and Greg Mattern. Kern and Mattern are both students from North Dakota State University, while Walker is from Dickenson State College.

Remember those names for in the coming months, you'll be seeing their by-lines tagged to many stories. You'll also see a new look to the NEWS starting in November. The UNITED TRIBES NEWS is the voice of UTETC, which is a milder, more kind way of saying what in many journalistic corners is said of other, similar publications - that we are a "house Organ" or a "public relations rag."

Well, that's what we are and we won't try to disguise it. And in the coming months, you'll see many stories concerning programs and projects underway here at UTETC. There's a reason for that. The United Tribes Educational Center has become and represents to many a burgeoning, bright spot for Indians on the Northern Great Plains - an Indian school, owned and operated by Indians, succeeding and growing and sparking optimism for many.

At last count, there were 23 separate programs underway at UTETC. We'll be telling you about those because they represent and they are, like many other programs on reservations across the nation, the hope and the future of Indian Country. They tell the story of a struggling culture now finding itself. It's good news we need to tell, need to hear.

There'll be other stories in the coming months that may annoy you, irritate and infuriate you because it will be news from your own backyard and some of it won't be good. Look for stories on alcoholism on North Dakota reservations and the reasons for it. For stories on the schools and curricula and educational systems on those reservations. Land sales and jurisdiction conflicts. Look for stories on the Indian youth on our reservations, what they're doing and where they're going, for they are the flesh and blood of our future.

Frankly, we expect to annoy and irritate and infuriate you with some of the stories we have planned. Infuriate you sufficiently to motivate you. Once, not so long ago, a tribal councilmember from one of North Dakota's reservations threatened to march down to Bismarck and "break our presses" because of one story we printed.

It's that strength of emotion and rage we pledge to seek in the future. With information and opinion and commentary, we hope to direct that emotion, to aim it not at us but at the problems and inequities and shortcomings we reveal. On our third birthday, that is our present for you.



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Skye's Horizons

by harriett skye



At six feet, five inches and 250 pounds, anybody would be noticed. But Will Sampson is doubly noticed around Hollywood, because he's an American Indian. Discovered on the rodeo circuit, Sampson was given a major role in the multi-Oscar winning "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest." He did so well with his first assignment that he's gone from one picture to another. Sampson says he never studied acting and never wanted to act. "I just do it," he says.

A Creek Indian who ran away from his Okmulgee, Oklahoma home at 12, he supported himself as a ranch hand until his love painting got going. His pictures of historic Indian figures hang in galleries all over the country.

We tried, unsuccessfully, to invite him to the United Tribes Pow-Wow this year. But he's such a busy man and on the move, it was impossible to make contact. Maybe next year we'll get lucky.

South Dakota Atty. General William Janklow told the South Dakota Corrections Association recently that he is definitely in favor of the legislation that has been introduced to abolish the parole system in that state.

Janklow and other correctional staff members agreed that the parole system as it exists achieves little, and if parole is abolished there are other alternatives.

David Fogel, a leading reformer from Illinois in the area of criminal justice, spoke of needs for determinate sentences, as opposed to indeterminate sentencing everyone would get the same sentence for the same crime, within a range of 1 years plus or minus for mitigating circumstances.

Fogel says that today's indeterminate sentencing produces wide disparities in sentences, which creates tension in all cellblocks.

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Forget what you have done for your friends, and remember what they have done for you. Disregard what the world owes you, and concentrate on what you owe the world.

When you are faced with a decision, make that decision as wisely as possible then forget it. The moment of absolute certainty never arrives.

And above all, remember that God helps those who help themselves. Act as if everything depended upon you, and pray as if everything depended upon God.

Recently I had occasion to fly on a North Central Airlines DC-9, and in doing so I picked up their magazine the "Northliner". There was an interesting article about the advantages of visiting the city of Winnipeg, Manitoba, the city that boasts the blending of at least 37 separate ethnic groups and where civic leaders are well aware that successfully intergrating the city's large native American Indian and Metis population is another matter.

According to the article, W. Paul Fogg, a lifelong Winnipeg resident and the chamber's program manager, devotes most of his time to that subject.

Because they are a transient group, the number of Indians and Metis people (French Canadian and Indian) is hard to pin down. About 80,000 Indian and Metis people are Manitoba residents, Fogg says, and approximately 35,000 live in greater Winnipeg where they have difficulty finding housing and employment.

Integration is a problem for them because their value systems are quite different from the work-ethic values embraced by most other Winnipeggers.

So, Mr. Fogg has drafted a set of guidelines that may help local businessmen succeed in hiring and training native residents. To Fogg, it's a major education effort that highlights one of the biggest challenges facing Winnipeg.

What it boils down to is a lesson in sensitivity: "One local company has a guy who does nothing but go and wake up native employes every morning," Fogg says. "As you can see, not everyone is steeped in the traditional Western ethnic that sanctifies hard work, punctuality and ambition. The question is, will we condemn our native citizens for not conforming to our standards...or will we condemn ourselves for not giving a little?"

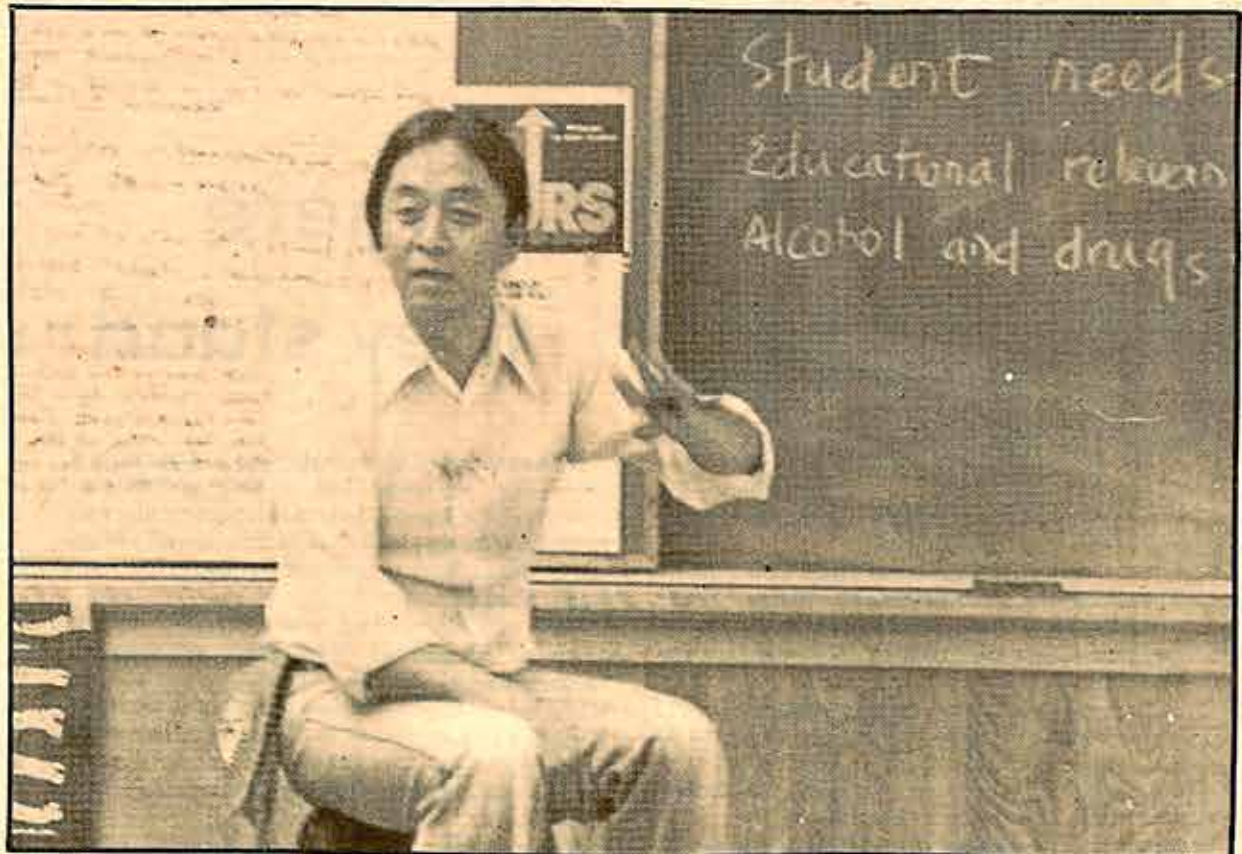
The guidelines Fogg drafted detail ways in which a company can successfully hire and keep native Americans. Fogg admits the guidelines are not a "guaranteed cure" to a serious integration problem, but he and the other members of the chamber hope that many Winnipeg businessmen will adopt the guidelines as their own company policy.

Mel P. Michener, the chamber's new president and head of the firm warns that "unless we deal with the issue, we may be faced with the problems that Americans had with Blacks in their inner cities."

If intergration is to be successful, Fogg says, all involved will see a shift---at least a broadening--- of values.

(This information was taken from the Northlines Magazine, Summer issue 1976. I wanted to share this with our readers because it's the first bit of constructive information I've read for quite awhile.)

Below, UTETC attorney Jim Krogsruth posts questions from the discussion groups on the auditorium wall. Paul Namkung, right, discusses the forming of the TUITT committee.



Above, Bob Moore, director of AICADA. At left, the workshop's audience listens.

UTETC tackles the problems of alcohol

By Heather Kern

"We're looking for the mythical Indian who can stand up and say his life is not seriously affected by alcohol," said Bob Moore, director of the American Indian Commission of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse (AICADA), at an alcoholism workshop held recently at the United Tribes Educational Technical Center.

THE AICADA is presenting a series of workshops which were organized and funded by the UTETC Alcoholism Program to help United Tribes students and staff become more aware of problems created by alcoholism and what can be done as a community in the area of prevention and early detection.

The workshops are divided into three sessions, one a month in September, October and November with each covering a span of about four days.

One-hundred and fifty staff members and students gathered in the U.S. Army Reserves auditorium next door to UTETC for the first workshop. Moore and five colleagues, all members of AICADA took turns at the podium, telling where they were from and why they were here.

Although the AICADA headquarters is in Denver, not all the men are from there. AICADA is not a full time job for any of them. Most have other part-time jobs in their home towns.

Jay White Owl is head of the Indian Alcoholism program in Tulsa, Okla.; Bert Elder owns a ranch

in Montana; Dale Flowers is a college instructor in San Jose, Calif.; and Paul Namkung, Moore and Nat Hendricks are from Colorado.

All became members of AICADA because they felt a desire and need to share and help others. Alcohol had in some way affected all their lives.

"Our main purpose," said Namkung, "is to help unite the community to deal with human relations, to establish positive attitudes among the members of UTETC."

The workshops stressed positive attitudes towards oneself. "I'm proud to be an Indian," said Moore. "We all have a lot of gifts, love, sharing, caring, honesty and empathy. But as I grew older I traded some of my honesty for dishonesty, some of my sharing for greed, my love for hate. I got so I couldn't stand myself, so I turned to alcohol."

"Seventeen years ago I had an awakening," Moore said, "I wanted my gifts back. I had to give up my envy. I had to give up my hate and all those 'good' gifts."

Moore was not only talking about Indians but all alcoholics. Alcoholics need help. "It is a terrible illness. Some people think that if you stop drinking - that's it. But it's much more than that," said Bert Elder.

There's the problem of treatment. Indian people have denied Alcoholics Anonymous because "it's a white man's program and it won't work for me," according to Elder.

"The treatment should be stopping the problem before it starts," said Moore. That's where a close community comes in, for the members of the

community to work together stressing moral support, ending discrimination.

Meeting and talking to other members of the UTETC community was urged throughout the workshops. Work groups were formed with members of the audience pulling their chairs together and introducing themselves, then joining with other groups.

The groups formulated and discussed questions they had on the topic of alcoholism and drug abuse. Questions from the groups were posted on the auditorium walls so the whole community could exchange ideas.

As the week continued and the students returned to classes, the workshops centered on staff involving the students more in the UTETC community and helping individuals with problem drinking. To that end, UTETC staff members near the close of the first workshop formed a coalition called "TUITT", meaning "To Unite in Total Triumph."

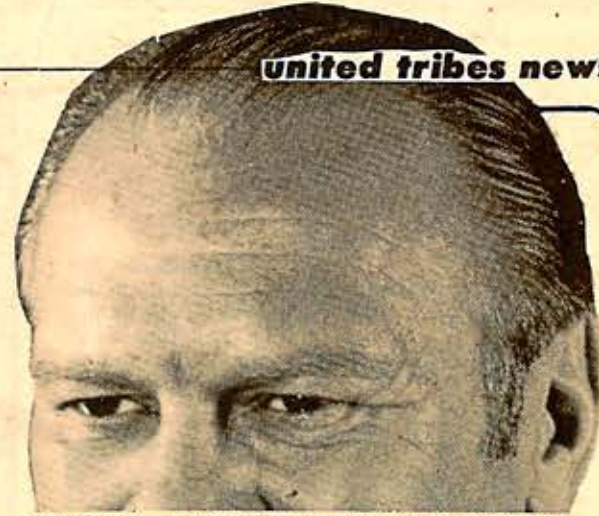
TUITT will work towards getting students to find alternatives to drinking, and towards developing an overall closeness and optimistic spirit within the UTETC community.

"Their name may change with consolidating, but their purpose will remain the same," said Boyd Van Patten, UTETC business clerical instructor and co-chairperson of TUITT. Acting Dean of UTETC Social Services Marlene Ward is serving as TUITT's other co-leader.

"Our goal is alcohol," said Van Patten. "We want to hit it as a group."



Where they stand



"My opponent...I would do my best...the present administration...I'm sure you know...minorities...I would not support...We have problems...Thank you gentlemen."

Four debates. Two pairs of candidates in hopes of reaching the nation's highest offices. Many questions have been asked and many issues discussed with topics ranging from abortion and gun control to embargoes and taxes.

One issue that has not been discussed is that of Indian affairs. How do the candidates intend to deal with Indian affairs? What type of relationship do they see between the federal government and the American Indian?

Carter: "I believe to the greatest extent possible, programs for Indian tribes should be designed, implemented and managed by Indian tribes."

Ford: "I am committed to furthering the self-determination of Indian communities but without terminating the special relationship between the federal government and the Indian people."

Ford adds that he is "strongly opposed to termination" and that self-determination means Indians may decide their tribe's relationship with the federal government within the framework of the Indian Self-Determination Act. Carter doesn't mention self-determination but states self-government, meaning that "the majority of decisions affecting Indian tribes will be made in the tribal council room and not in Washington D.C."

Both candidates agree that there is apparently a great deal of waste and a lack of effective coordination among federal departments and agencies offering services to Indian people. What can or will be done to alleviate the duplication and waste of effort?

Ford: "I am sending a memorandum to the heads of all Cabinet departments with Indian responsibilities, directing them to give priority attention to the coordination of Indian programs." Ford has also appointed Brad Paterson (see page 5) to work with the Cabinet and other departments and agencies to help coordinate their efforts.

Carter: "As part of my plans to reorganize government, I intend a complete review of all federal programs designed for Indian people, to be conducted with the full participation of Indian leaders from tribal, urban, and national organizations." Carter adds that the review will investigate trust responsibility; Indian legal interests, including land, water and the energy resources; analyze the administration of Indian programs; and "develop plans for full participation by Indian tribes in the operation of their programs."

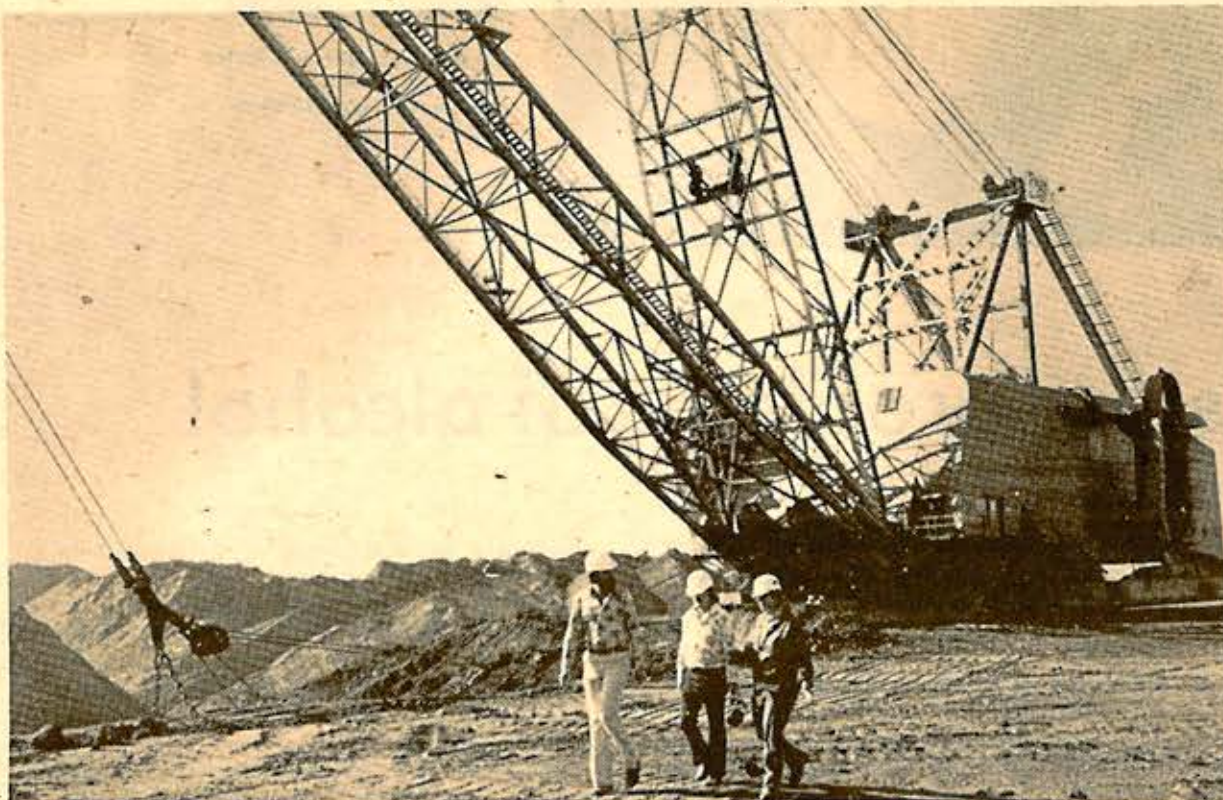
Ford is the only candidate stating an opinion on civil and criminal jurisdiction. "My Administration is supporting the concept of allowing Indian tribes to determine whether they and their members, in addition to being under tribal

jurisdiction, should be under state or federal civil and criminal jurisdiction."

This summer during both parties' national conventions, platform planks concerning American Indians were drafted.

Democrats: "The Democratic Party reaffirms and strengthens its legal and moral trust responsibilities to the American Indians. We believe it is honorable to obey and implement our treaty obligations to the First Americans. In discharging our duty we shall exert all necessary assistance to afford the American Indians the protection of their land, their water, and their civil rights. Federal laws relating to American Indians and the function and purposes of the Bureau of Indian Affairs should be reexamined."

Republicans: "We have a unique commitment to Native Americans; we pledge to continue to honor our trust relationship with them, and we reaffirm our federal Indian policy of self-determination without termination. This means moving smoothly and quickly away from federal domination to effective participation and communication by Indians in the political process and in the planning, content and administration of federal programs. We shall pursue our joint effort with Indian leaders to assist in the orderly development of Indian and native-owned resources and to continue to attack the severe health, education and unemployment problems which exist among Indians."



Consolidation Public Relations Officers Tom Hoffman escorts Manpower Program Director Doug Myers and U.S. Labor Dept. Economist Dr. Willis Nordlund on a tour of the Consolidation Coal Co. plant near Stanton, N.D.

Survey finds 37 percent of Indians out of work

By Greg Mattern

BISMARCK - Final results from a regional Indian manpower survey show 37 percent of the eastern Montana and North Dakota Indian labor force is unemployed with another 18 percent underemployed in seasonal or part-time work.

Only 43 percent of the Indian labor force is employed full time, year-round.

The survey is part of the Indian Lignite Manpower Program, funded by the Economic Development Administration of the U.S. Commerce Department. The survey was taken to assess the size and composition of the Indian labor force on the reservations.

"We want energy companies planning development

up here to know that there is an available and sizeable Indian labor pool already here to draw from," said program director, Douglas Myers.

An 11 percent random sample of the Indian labor force between the ages of 18 and 46 was drawn from the Fort Berthold, Standing Rock and Turtle Mountain Indian Reservations in North Dakota and the Crow, Cheyenne and Fort Peck Indian Reservations in Montana. The male labor force was deliberately oversampled (85 percent) and the female labor force was undersampled (15 percent).

• 43 percent of the Indian labor force is employed full time. 37 percent are unemployed, 12 percent are seasonally employed and 6 percent have part-time jobs.

• 30 percent of Indian household heads earn less than \$2,000 annually with another 17 percent earning less than \$4,000 a year.

• 32 percent of the respondents had no dependents, although 49 percent had from two to six persons to support.

• 66 percent of the Indian labor force reported they would take a lignite industry job paying a minimum of \$1,000 a month, if they could live on the reservation and be home every night.

• 46 percent would take such a job if they had to move 100 to 300 miles from their present home.

• 74 percent of the survey respondents said they would be willing to join a union to get a good paying job.

• 20 percent of the respondents have belonged to a union at one time, with 76 percent of that group reporting they liked belonging to a union.

• 79 percent of the Indian labor force reported they would want training if a \$1,000 a month job were available.

The survey completes the first phase of the Indian Lignite Manpower Program. The program consists of four phases: the survey; a communications network between energy concerns, labor unions, and tribal governments; a crafts training program; and a liaison office as a locating and referral service for Indian workers.

"The final survey results, in report form, will be sent to the tribal governments, labor unions and energy concerns near the end of October," said Myers.

Initial survey results were presented to energy company, labor union, and state government representatives at a meeting early in September at the United Tribes Educational Technical Center (UTETC).

The third phase of the program is a crafts training program. This program is designed to train Native Americans in six crafts areas: boilermakers, electricians, iron workers, welders, pipe fitters and carpenters. "These craft areas will be the high employment areas in the construction phase of the energy industry," said Myers.

Courses in the six crafts areas would last for a year and be conducted at UTETC. The courses would hopefully include on the job training, said Myers.

Funds for this phase of the program are being sought through the federal Energy Research and Development Administration and other governmental agencies.

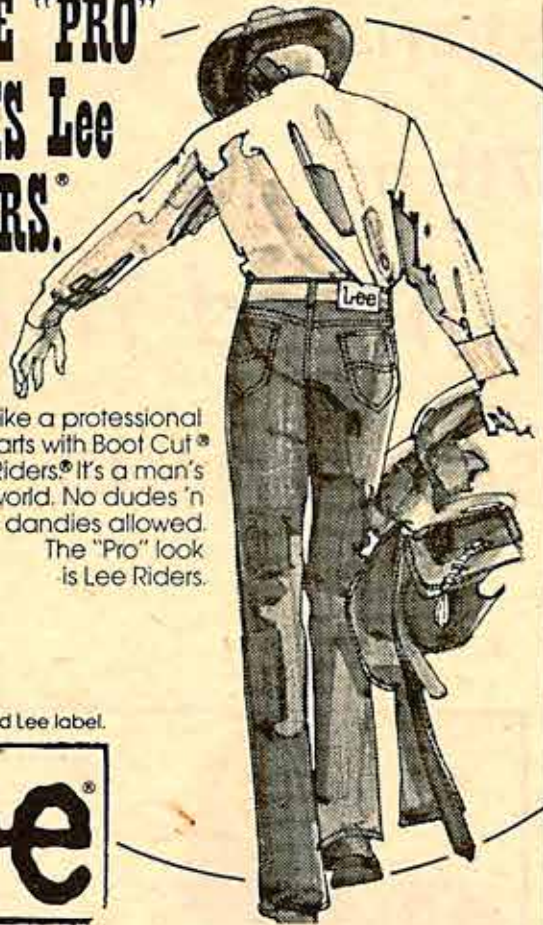
The final phase of the program is a liaison office. The function of the office is to facilitate the smooth and steady flow of Indian trainees through the crafts program and into lignite industry jobs and apprentice programs.

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Patterson named as Indian advisor

WASHINGTON - Bradley H. Patterson has recently been appointed by President Gerald Ford as special White House assistant for Indian affairs.

Patterson replaces Dr. Theodore Marrs who had been the President's Indian affairs assistant since 1974. Marrs left that post in July of 1976 to practice medicine in Albuquerque, N. Mex.

In naming Patterson, President Ford said: "It will be Mr. Patterson's specific responsibility to work to improve the coordination among the federal agencies with programs that serve the Indian people."

Patterson, 55, a federal career executive, had been a member of the White House staff as Assistant Director for Operations in the Presidential Personnel Office since November, 1974. He had previously served in the White House as executive assistant to Leonard Garment of the Civil Rights and Indian Affairs Office since September, 1969.

In a recent interview with the NEWS, Patterson said: "There is a lot to be done, considering there are 34 offices and 21 agencies that have responsibilities in the area of Indian affairs. I'm very pleased about my appointment because I have a great deal of interest in Indian affairs."

Patterson has served as the State Department's Assistant Cabinet Secretary; Executive Secretary of the Peace Corps; National Security Affairs Advisor for the Treasury Secretary; Executive



Brad Patterson

Director of the National Advisory Commission on Selective Service; and Executive Director of the National Advisory Council on Economic Opportunity.

A graduate of the National War College, Fort McNair, Washington D.C., Patterson received the Arthur S. Fleming Award in 1960 as one of the outstanding young men in federal service.

He is a member of the American Society for Public Administration (ASPA), and is the author of a special ASPA study entitled "The President's Cabinet: Issues and Questions."

Patterson is married and has four children.

Indictments released in Navajo investigation

PHOENIX, N. Mex. - A federal grand jury has indicted the former head of the Navajo Housing Authority and two other men on charges of misapplication of funds and conspiracy in connection with \$15 million designated for housing on the Navajo Indian Reservation.

The eight-count indictment charged Pat Chee Miller, the housing authority's former executive director, with taking \$42,322 in kickbacks from a California investment company he had chosen to manage \$15 million from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

The investment company, the American Funding Corp., is now in receivership because it was unable to produce some of the Navajo money in cash on demand. A. Gordon Eldred, an officer for the company, and Mervin B. Schaffer, a business associate of Eldred, were also indicted.

The grand jury's actions are the most recent in a series stemming from a Justice Department investigation of alleged corruption on the Navajo Reservation. The largest in the nation, the reservation encompasses 25,000 acres of Arizona, Utah and New Mexico.

Of 11 persons thus far indicted, eight

are Navajo with one an assistant to Navajo tribal chairman Peter MacDonald. According to published reports, another federal grand jury in Albuquerque is also looking into the financial dealings of some Navajo agencies that operate in the New Mexican part of the reservation.

The indictment claimed Miller had agreed to invest the \$15 million in housing funds through American funding in exchange for kickbacks that he, Eldred, and Schaffer allegedly shared. The first investment was made in 1974 by the housing authority, an independent body set up by the Navajo Tribe to build low-cost housing with federal aid.

Miller got no receipt for the money, nor apparently did he ask where the money would be invested or for how long. HUD officials later said the investment was a violation of HUD's contract, requiring funds be put only in short term bank obligations.

The Navajo housing authority sued American Funding when the company could not produce some of the money. It was subsequently learned that some of the Navajo money had been invested in a Las Vegas gambling house. The disclosures led to Miller's resignation from the housing authority.

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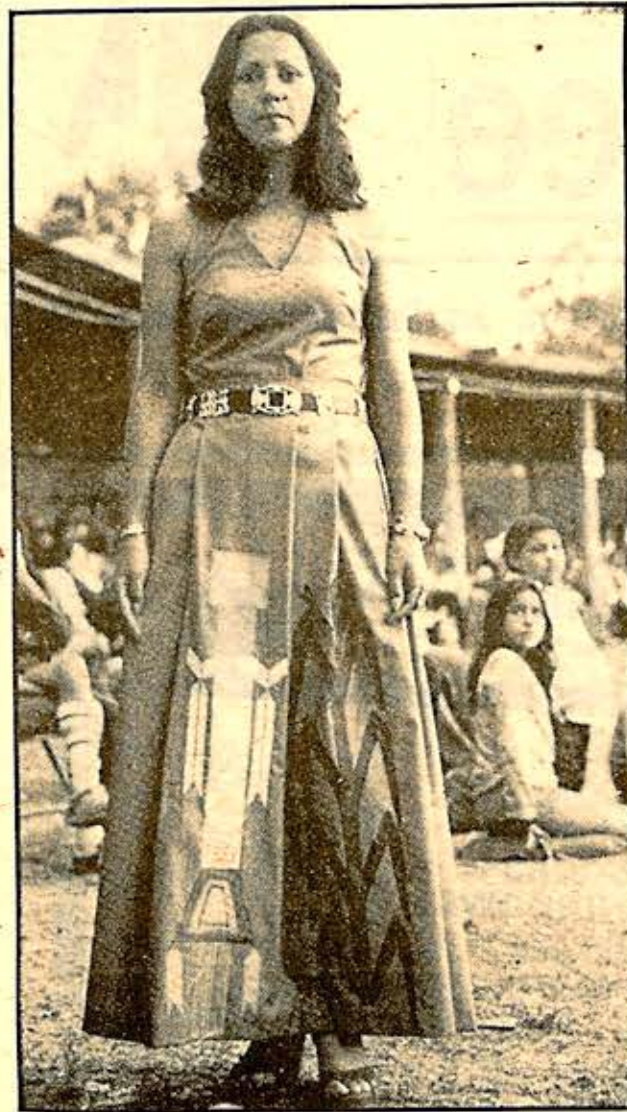
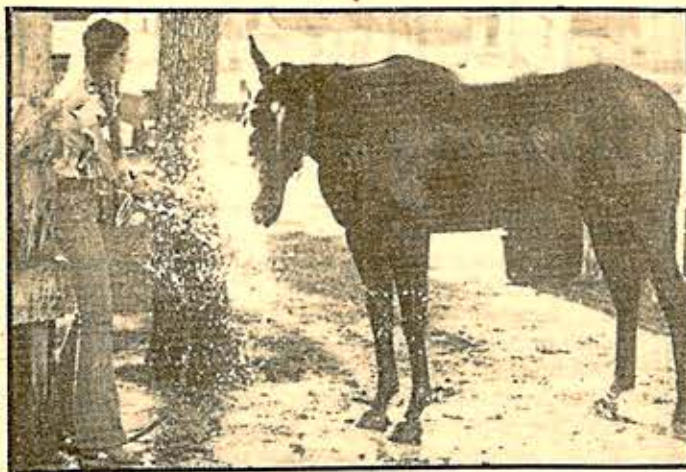
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Girls (11-15 yrs.)

1st: Brenda Hall, Mandaree, N.D.; 2nd: Tammy Anderson, St. Michaels, N.D.; 3rd: Mary Ann Whiteman, Ponemah, Mont.; 4th: Lelema Johnson, Granger, Wash.; 5th: Vickie Hindsley, Wisconsin Dells, Wis.

Girls Traditional

1st: Joy Anderson, St. Michaels, S.D.;

2nd: Ann Marie Condon, Cannon Ball, N.D.; 3rd: Denise Kidder, Fort Yates, N.D.; 4th: Sheila Little Ghost, Fort Totten, N.D.; 5th: Pam Ziegler, Lower Brule, S.D.

Little Boys (10 and under)

1st: Daman Brady, Newtown, N.D.; 2nd: Brian Goodwill, Fort Quappelle, Canada; 3rd: Denny Wolf, Newtown, N.D.; 4th: Randy Totus, Granger, Wash.; 5th: Todd Pickner, Fort Thompson, S.D.

Boys (11-15 yrs.)

1st: Anthony Johnson, Yakima, Wash.; 2nd: Scott Chandler, Glendive, Mont.; 3rd: Tony Brown, Roman, Mont.; 4th: Wilson Totus, Granger, Wash.; 5th: Ernie Sam, Minneapolis, Minn.

Boys Straight Dance

1st: Brian Ziegler, Lower Brule, S.D.;

2nd: B.J. Brady, Newtown, N.D.; 3rd: Marin Anderson, Fort Totten, N.D.; 4th: Steve Williams, Walpole, Canada; 5th: Don Brown, Polson, Mont.

Womens Shawl

1st: Kim Dickenson, Minneapolis, Minn.; 2nd: Dawn Richardson, St. Paul, Minn.; 3rd: Muriel Dickenson, Minneapolis, Minn.; 4th: Patsy Head, Tama, Iowa; 5th: Mary Buck Elk Thunder, Cerry Creek, S.D.

Womens Traditional

1st: Sophia Menard, Rosebud, S.D.; 2nd: Dianne Redman, Fort Quappelle, Canada; 3rd: Mony Bear Skin, Chicago, Ill.; 4th: Yvette Joseph, Coulee Dam, Wash.; 5th: Joyce Azure, Auburn, Wash.

Men's Fancy

1st: Nathan Thompson, Minnesota; 2nd:

Chico Her Many
3rd: Norman New
Randy Her Many
5th: Gordon Las

Men's Straight

1st: Ellis Head,
Ronnie D. Goode
3rd: Johnny H
Okla.; 4th: Joe
N.D.; 5th: Felix K

Men's Straight

1st: Steve Chargin
S.D.; 2nd: Russ
N.D.; 3rd: Wayne
elle, Canada; 4th:
Butte, S.D.; 5th:
Okla.

Singing Contest

1st: Porcupine Sir



The top ten cowboys of the Great Plains Indian Rodeo Association's 1976 season (from l.): Stuart Day, Jerry Small, Ed Hall, Pam Luger, Donnie Hall, Verley White Calfe, Gary Not Afraid, Buster Spang, Tuffy Sierra, and [kneeling] John Colliflower.



Horses, Rosebud, S.D.;
 Rider, Oklahoma; 4th:
 Horses, Rosebud, S.D.;
 y, Tama, Iowa.
 (non-bustle)
 St. Francis, S.D.; 2nd:
 gle, Greyhorse, Okla.;
 ghes, Oklahoma City,
 Bull Head, Fort Yates,
 dder, Fort Yates, N.D.
 bustle)
 ng Eagle, Eagle Butte,
 ell Gillette, Newtown,
 Goodwill, Fort Quap-
 Joe Head of Elk, Eagle
 Pete Moore, Pawnee,
 gers, Porcupine, S.D.;

2nd: Fort Berthold Singers, Fort
 Berthold, N.D.; 3rd: Morris Cries,
 Thunder Cloud, Sask., Canada; 4th: Red
 Cloud Singers, Pine Ridge, S.D.; 5th:
 White Shield Singers, White Shield,
 N.D.; Sportsmanship Award: Terrence
 Nelson, Letdlier, Manitoba.
 Average winners of the Great Plains
 Indian Rodeo Association's classic finals
 were:
Saddle Bronc
 1st: Howard Hunter, Kyle, S.D.; 2nd:
 Tim Colliflower, Billings, Mont.; 3rd: Ron
 Bruch, Mandaree, N.D.; 4th: Don Hall,
 Mandaree, N.D.
Bareback Riding
 1st: Ken Danks, Newtown, N.D.; 2nd:
 Ron Givens, Araphoe, Wy.; 3rd: Howard
 Hunter, Kyle, S.D.; 4th: Don Hall,

Mandaree, N.D.
Bull Riding
 1st: Don Hall, Mandaree, N.D.; 2nd:
 Tuffy Sierra, Pine Ridge, S.D.; 3rd:
 Larry Sullivan, Wolf Point, Mont.; 4th:
 Ron Givens, Arapahoe, Wy.
Steer Wrestling
 1st: John Colliflower, Billings, Mont.;
 2nd: Ron Oyloe, Williston, N.D.; 3rd: Ed
 Hall, Newtown, N.D.; 4th: John Small,
 Lodge Grass, Mont.
Calf Roping
 1st: Frank White Calfe, Emmet, N.D.;
 2nd: Wayne Not Afraid, Lodge Grass,
 Mont.; 3rd: Fred Small, Lodge Grass,
 Mont.; 4th: Clinton Small, Lodge Grass,
 Mont.
Team Roping
 1st: Frank White Calfe & Esley Thorton;

2nd: Jerry Small & Stuart Day; 3rd:
 Vernon Small & Dennis Dahle; 4th: Billy
 Hall & Matt Foolish Bear.
Barrel Racing
 1st: Kelly Claymore, McLaughlin, S.D.;
 2nd: Candy Not Afraid, Lodge Grass,
 Mont.; 3rd: Jo Beth Reeves, Eagle
 Butte, S.D.; 4th: Verlee White Calfe,
 Emmet, N.D.
Goat Tying
 1st: Pam Luger, Billings, Mont.; 2nd:
 Tammy Hall, Mandaree, N.D.; 3rd: Jo
 Beth Reeves, Eagle Butte, S.D.; 4th:
 Collette Hall, Mandaree, N.D.
Breakaway Roping
 1st: Buster Spang, Lodge Grass, Mont.;
 2nd: J.W. Thompson, Lower Brule,
 S.D.; 3rd: Nathan Little Soldier, Golden
 Valley, N.D.

Native recipes

Venison mincemeat

(Makes 2 quarts)

- 1 quart apple cider
- 2 cups seedless raisins
- 1 cup dried cooked currants
- 3 greening apples, peeled, cored and chopped
- 1 cup chopped suet
- 2 pounds ground venison
- 2 teaspoons salt
- 2 teaspoons cinnamon
- 2 teaspoons ginger
- 1 teaspoon cloves
- 1 teaspoon nutmeg
- 1/2 teaspoon allspice

1. Place the cider, raisins, currants, apples, and suet in a large, heavy kettle, cover and simmer for 2 hours.
2. Stir in remaining ingredients, and simmer uncovered for 2 hours, stirring occasionally. Use as a pie filling.

Indian enrollment up

WASHINGTON - A recent government survey shows a 6.4 percent increase in the number of American Indians enrolled in the nation's colleges and universities between 1972 and 1974.

The survey, released by the U.S. Office for Civil Rights, showed that white enrollment during the two years declined modestly, while enrollment of minority students increased by over one percent.

In private professional schools, American Indian enrollment rose the fastest, although the number of those students remained small.

getting by

Heart attack and its symptoms

[The first installment of a two-part series on heart disease, the following was written by Helen Walker, coordinator of the Standing Rock Reservation Cardiovascular Education Project. Technical assistance in preparing this series was received from Nanette K. Wenger, M.D., professor of cardiology at the Emory University School of Medicine, Atlanta, Geor.]

Before reading this, ask yourself an important question: Can you tell the difference between indigestion and a heart attack. If you can't, you should. Otherwise you might make a fatal mistake.

Heart attack can strike anyone. When it occurs, there is no time for delay. Most heart attack victims survive if they recognize the early warning signs of heart attack and get medical care at once.

The pain of heart attack is not exactly the same for every victim. It might be an intense pain for one person, or a mild pain for another, often misinterpreted as indigestion.

Heart attack victims often hesitate and hesitation is dangerous. Some don't want to admit that they're ill. Others mistakenly decide that symptoms don't mean anything, or are due to indigestion. Other people don't know the early warning signs of heart attack. They wait, ignoring the warnings, hoping the pain will disappear.

When you suffer a heart attack, every minute counts. Delay is dangerous. Be sure you know these warnings. They may save your life.

- Prolonged, oppressive pain or unusual discomfort in the center of the chest.

- Pain may radiate to the shoulder, arm, neck or jaw.
- Pain or discomfort is often accompanied by sweating.
- Nausea, vomiting and shortness of breath may also occur.
- Sometimes these symptoms subside and then return.

If these signs occur, act immediately. Call a doctor and describe the symptoms. If he isn't available, get to a hospital emergency room at once. Prompt action can reduce the risk of a fatal heart attack.

The early warnings of heart attack are a special "body language". They tell the person that the supply of blood to the heart is seriously reduced. A coronary artery, which supplies the heart with blood, becomes narrowed or closed and part of the heart muscle begins to die because it gets no blood and oxygen. Doctors call this a myocardial infarction.

Coronary atherosclerosis causes heart attack. It's a slow process that can go on for years without causing any symptoms. It is a build-up of fatty deposits along the inner walls of the arteries of the heart. Just like lime deposits forming in a water pipe, atherosclerosis coats the inside of the artery channels and gradually narrows them. The obstruction halts the flow of blood from the artery to an area of the heart muscle and the result is a heart attack.

[Part II of this series, to appear in the next issue of the NEWS, will deal with heart attack prevention and rehabilitation of heart attack patients.]

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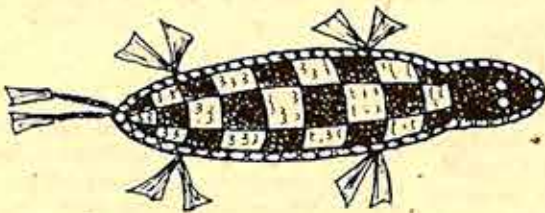
Welcome little one, may you have a long life

The following is an excerpt from "Circle of Life," one of the five books comprising the American Indian Curricula Development Program's junior high school teaching kit. The text was written by Jane Kirchmeier, with artwork by Butch Thunderhawk.

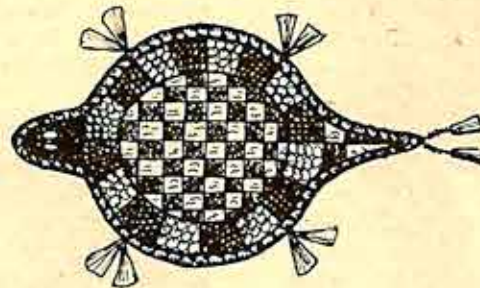
When one of the wives in the family was pregnant, everyone was happy to think of having a new child in his family. We had noticed that of all the animals, the turtle and the lizard were extremely difficult to kill, so grandmother or mother would make a toy copy of each one for the baby as a sign of her hope that the child would live as long as the turtle and lizard.

These presents had a deeper meaning, too. After the baby was born, his umbilical cord was wrapped in tobacco and placed inside the turtle. This turtle became a sign of how precious the life was that his parents gave him. The lizard was a decoy and was supposed to attract the attention of evil spirits so they would not bother the turtle (the baby's life).

Children kept these charms with them, maybe pinned to their clothes. Later, mother would keep them for the growing child, and sometimes a man would have them sewn into his war bonnet. Our toys were not pretty, brightly-colored playthings with no purpose. They had a very deep meaning.



In those days a baby spent most of his time in a cradleboard. This had been made by the father's sisters as a symbol of their love for the child. This is just another example of how the whole family shared their love and hoped the best for all.



When the baby was just three or four days old the whole family had a big celebration to name him. Father had chosen a man from the community to be the name-giver. He was usually a man who was highly respected by all the people. He was proud to have the privilege of naming the baby because our names were very important.

The name-giver might decide to name the baby after his greatest war deed or maybe after a brave animal. Perhaps he saw something significant in a dream and he named the baby in honor of that.

Boys and girls kept this name for their entire lives. Boys received an additional name when they became teenagers and had done something very adult. A girl could change her name if she felt it brought her bad luck.

We thought names were so important that we paid for them. Think of the sacred hoop and how important we feel it is to give something so we can receive in return. When we were given a name our fathers presented horses, tobacco, food and skins to many people as a sign of happiness and gratitude.



The Sioux were always very happy to have a new member so a special ceremony was held to accept the young one into the tribe. This was called the ear piercing ceremony, and it was held during a sun dance after the baby first walked. A great warrior pierced the ears of the child with a sharp stick. This was a little painful but it was a fine honor to be marked as a Sioux. They knew how proud he would always be.

Sometimes parents felt particularly close to a child, especially one born during a time of hardship. They felt this child was a gift from the Great Spirit to compensate for their misfortune. Parents called this special one a beloved child. In a ceremony, an elder, who himself was a beloved child, painted the child's face with signs showing how much love they had for him. And a wise one would tell the child what special things he must do in his lifetime to show his gratefulness. Indians, even little children, believed in returning favors for the extra attention they received.

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news from UTETC



UTETC picks 'royalty'

He was a hippie from Chicago's "Old Town". She was a gypsy with fortunes to tell and destinies to reveal. He and she are UTETC's Dean of Education Mike Ward and Marlene Ward, acting UTETC social services director.

The "true" identities of the Wards were disclosed during a recent and rollicking afternoon at UTETC featuring the school's annual football game and the crowning of the Wards as UTETC's king and queen.

Staff members came dressed for the occasion with Prison Parole Coordinator Jo LaFromboise sporting rubber ears the size of dinner plates, Police Science Instructor B.J. Silbernagel outfitted like a hobo hunting for the nearest soup line, and Business Clerical Instructor Boyd Van Patten loping around campus with hair greased back, levis, ragged tee shirt, and a remarkable "Hell's Angels" sneer.

This year's football game pitted UTETC students and staff against Standing Rock Community College staff members. UTETC succumbed to its opponents by a 16-6 score.

"Those guys were huge," UTETC quarterback Jim Walker quipped later of his opponents, remnants of stark terror still dancing in his eyes. "They really outweighed us...they could have killed us, some of those guys."



Two, going on three

With a cake almost as big as her, Kristi "Sissy" Knife celebrated her second birthday in grand style this month at the UTETC Child Development Center.

Sissy is the daughter of Ed and Vickie Knife, both UTETC alumni and UTETC staff members. Ed, a police science graduate from White River, S.D., is a UTETC supply clerk; while Vickie, a business clerical graduate from Wagner, S.D., works in the school's personnel department.



October students arrive

Twelve new students began classes at UTETC in October. The students are (1st row from l.): Betty DeMarrias, Catherine Vote, Dawn Otto, Donna Lucier, Mike Champagne, Marianne Jordon, and UTETC Orientation Coordinator Lorraine Ward. Second row: Rolland DeMarrias, Vincent LaClaire, William Vote, John Lucier, Gary Otto and Moses Black Tail Deer.



Teachers win awards

Glenna Mueller (left) and Marvia Boettcher, both teachers at United Tribes' Theodore Jamerson Elementary School, have won recognition for their teaching skills and dedication to education. Both teachers recently received commendations from the national Outstanding Leaders in Elementary and Secondary Education Awards Program. Their names will be included in the 1976 edition of the "Outstanding Leaders in Elementary and Secondary Education"

handbook.

Mueller and Boettcher will now be considered along with other award-winning educators for a number of unrestricted grants to be presented by the Awards Program later this year.

Theodore Jamerson Elementary School is located on the UTETC campus, and provides instruction for approximately 85 children of UTETC students and staff members.



Dignitary visits UTETC

From the other side of the world, Andrew J.F. Kloppers paid UTETC a visit this month. The chairman of the Coloured Council of South West Africa, Kloppers spent two days in Bismarck, touring the facilities at UTETC, meeting N.D. Indian Commissioner Juanita Helphrey and Gov. Arthur Link and visiting the Standing Rock Reservation.

Kloppers, who is also the head of South West Africa's Labour Party, is touring the United States as a participant in the Institute of International Education. He is among many foreign dignitaries sponsored by the Institute who have visited UTETC. Guests of UTETC, such as Kloppers, are briefed on Indian affairs and education, and given guided tours of UTETC by staff members of the United Tribes Office of Public Information.

around INDIAN COUNTRY



Peterson named to post

WASHINGTON - Dennis L. Peterson, enrolled member of the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe, has been appointed tribal government service officer for the BIA.

Peterson had been superintendent of the BIA Sisseton Agency in South Dakota since January 1972.

An Army veteran of both World War II and the Korean War, Peterson has worked with Indian communities since 1952 in resource and economic development.

He was the South Dakota State University Extension Service Officer for many years and then was a project officer, planning officer, and assistant to the area director for the Economic Development Administration in Duluth, Minn. Peterson, 50, was also an Indian Community Action Program economic development specialist at the University of South Dakota before his 1971 appointment of the BIA agency in Pierre, S.D.

A graduate of South Dakota State University, Peterson has done graduate work in resource development at Colorado State University and the University of Arizona.

Resource manager picked

SACRAMENTO, Calif. - Eddie V. Edwards has recently been designated as the Assistant Area Director for Resource Management for the BIA agency here.

Edwards, a Choctaw Indian, had been a trust specialist in the BIA's Washington Office of Trust Responsibility.

A Navy veteran, Edwards has a BA in engineering and industrial arts and a Doctor of Jurisprudence from Oklahoma City University. He has also completed special courses in public lands, water rights, and management in continuing education programs.

Edwards, 46, began work with the BIA in 1971 as a realty specialist in the Muskogee Area Office. He had previously worked for the Veterans Administration, the Cherokee Community Organization, and the New Mexico and Oklahoma State Highway departments.

New 'Super' for Sells

SELLS, Ariz. - Richard T. Christman has been named BIA superintendent for the Papago Agency here. He replaces Joe Lucero who retired as superintendent earlier this year.

For the past six years, Christman served as Education Program Administrator at the Papago Agency. He has been employed by the BIA since 1963.

Christman, 39, is a graduate of California State Teachers College at California, Pa., and earned a Masters Degree in Indian education at Arizona State University, Tempe, Ariz.

He taught school for three years in Pennsylvania, and joined the BIA as an elementary school teacher and coach at the Cheyenne River Agency at Eagle Butte, S.D. Christman also served as an instructor and Title I director at the Phoenix Indian School, and completed a BIA field management training program in the Phoenix Area Office before going to Papago.

Museum job open

WASHINGTON - The Smithsonian Institution is accepting applications for the position of coordinator of its Native American Museum Training Program.

The Museum Training Program is responsible for conducting workshops, seminars, and internship programs in museology and museography for museum workers outside the Smithsonian.

Responsibilities of the coordinator will be planning and developing the training program. Applicants should have a knowledge of American Indian history and contemporary issues, and should be able to provide Indians with concrete assistance and advice.

Experience required is museum work and training, and demonstrated competence in working with Indians. An anthropology degree is desirable.

The position of coordinator is a GS-11 level position. Interested persons may write Office of Personnel Administration, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C. 20560. Telephone: (202) 381-5225.

Indian film available

LAKEWOOD, Colo. - The American Indian Travel Commission has produced a short film on tourist attractions and recreational facilities on Indian reservations and Indian land use areas.

Entitled "An Original American Vacation," the 27 and one half minute color film presents scenes from six Indian land areas from the Southwest to the far western tip of Washington.

The film was jointly funded by the Economic Development Administration and the BIA. It is designed for use by Indian tribes and organizations, and is ideally suited for television, with time allotted for commercials.

Use of the film is free except for shipping and handling charges. Interested parties may submit a proposed showing date and an alternative date to the Modern Talking Pictures, 2323 New Hyde Road, New Hyde Park, N.Y. 11040.

Indian books published

CHICAGO - The Center for the History of the American Indian has announced publication of the first of five books on a continuing Bibliographical Series on Native Americans.

The five new titles are: "Native American Historical Demography," by Henry F. Dobyns; "The Indians of California," by Robert F. Heizer; "The Indians of the Subarctic," by June Helm; "The Navajos," by Peter Iverson; and "The Ojibwas," by Helen Hornbeck Tanner.

Each work consists of a short essay detailing major works and a bibliographical listing providing complete citation data. The Newberry Library and the Indiana University Press are sponsors of the series.

Approximate price per volume is \$3.95. Orders can be placed by writing Kathleen Ketterman, Indiana University Press, Tenth and Morton Streets, Bloomington, Ind, 47401.

Judicial officer hired

WASHINGTON - David C. Harrison, member of the Osage Tribe, has been appointed Judicial Service Officer in the BIA's Office of Indian Services.

The position is a new one created to enable the BIA to work more effectively in strengthening tribal judicial systems. Harrison's duties will be working with national organizations of Indian judges, tribal chairmen, and Indian lawyers.

Harrison is a Harvard Law School graduate, and has been a member of the Rights Protection Staff in the BIA's Office of Trust Responsibilities.

A former Marine Corps Captain, Harrison was a senior investigator on the New York State Special Commission on Attica in 1971-72. He wrote several chapters of the Commission's final report on the Attica prison riot.

Leasing rules announced

NEW TOWN, N.D. - Applications for leasing tribal lands at the Fort Berthold Reservation must be submitted to the BIA before Dec. 15, 1976, according to John H. Danks, Fort Berthold's acting BIA superintendent.

Persons applying for a lease on land in which the tribe owns an undivided interest must acquire the signatures of the other landowners prior to submission of any applications.

If no applications are received for any particular pieces of land, or if all signatures are not acquired by prospective leasees, those pieces of land will be put out on an advertised bid during January of 1977, according to Danks.

Application forms can be obtained from the BIA offices in New Town, Twin Buttes, Mandaree, and White Shield. Completed forms may be also returned to those offices.

Nez Perce begin paper

LAPWAI, Idaho - Nez Perce Reservation residents here have greeted a new tribal publication, the first Nez Perce newspaper since the 1960's.

The new paper is a monthly journal for the reservation, taking for its name a phrase from Chief Joseph - "From Where the Sun Now Stands."

Sy Whitman, 34, is editor of the paper. Printing is done by the Nez Perce Printing, a tribally owned firm.

Address for the paper is "From Where the Sun Now Stands", P.O. Box 246, Lapwai, Idaho 83540. Telephone: (208) 843-2261.

NIAA track meet set

WEATHERFORD, Okla. - The National Indian Athletic Assoc. has named this city as the site of its 1976 track and cross country championships. Winners of the meet, scheduled for Nov. 20, will travel to Philadelphia, Penn., for the American Athletic Assoc. (AAU) championship track and field meet later in the month.

Last year's NIAA winners took team and individual awards at the national AAU boys cross country meet.

For more information on the NIAA championship meet, contact J.R. Cook, Southwest Indian Culture Center, 301 N. Custer, Weatherford, Okla. 73096. Telephone: (405) 772-7411.



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BIA program fights alcoholism

An alcoholism and alcohol abuse program has been in effect in the BIA's Aberdeen area since January, 1976 said Harley Zephier, Aberdeen area director of the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

In a television interview with Harriett Skye on "Indian Country Today," Zephier said the purpose of the alcoholism program is to train and sensitize agency and office personnel to the problem of alcohol abuse.

"We found a reluctance on the part of the staff about the program, but now we are really moving in a positive direction," said Zephier.

The program is the first of its kind in the BIA. With the inception of this program came the position of Agency Alcoholism Coordinator, presently filled by John Buehlmann since May of this year. As coordinator, Buehlmann's responsibilities are to oversee the implementation of the program and to bring resources to bear for people in the agency as well as people in the tribes, according to Zephier.

A supervisors' guide has been prepared as an approach to establishing policies and procedures for supervisors in dealing with troubled employees. The term "troubled employees" includes alcoholism, other drug dependency and emotional problems suffered either by the employees themselves or by family members.

Also included are physical, financial, marital or other problems that preoccupy the minds of the employees, and thereby resulting in costly absenteeism and decreased work performance.

Health care measure signed by President

WASHINGTON - The 1976 Indian Health Care Improvement Act has been signed by President Ford. The bill provides \$480,667,000 over the next three years for improvements in Indian health care and services on reservations and in cities.

In the coming three years the act provides: \$29 million in health personnel services; \$84 million in patient care; \$337 million for construction of badly needed new health facilities; and \$30 million for health care of Indians living in cities.

Ford said in signing: "This bill is not without its faults, but after personal review I have decided that the well-documented needs for improvement in Indian health, manpower, services and facilities outweigh these defects...I am signing this bill because of my own conviction that our First Americans should not be lacking in opportunities."

Highway training planned for state

BISMARCK - North Dakota Highway Commissioner Walter Hjelle announced that over the next three years the Highway Department will develop a series of 20 courses designed to meet highway training needs of state, city, county, and Indian agency highway personnel.

Priority training needs were identified by contacting a representative sample of these groups. Maintaining roads and streets was the greatest training need indicated, followed by bridge maintenance, controlling traffic through work areas, and roadside and drainage maintenance.

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Based on training preferences revealed in the survey, training activities will include seminars conducted in central points throughout the state, and pre-packaged audio-visual programs. As in the past the policy of the Highway Department is to provide training material to cities and counties for the cost of reproduction.

For further information contact the District Highway Engineer within your area or the Secondary Roads Engineer or Personnel Director at the following address: State Highway Department, Capitol Grounds, Bismarck, ND 58505.

Sex practices varied among Plains Indians

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. - Sexual practices in the 19th century among Crow and Cheyenne Indian tribes differed sharply from one another, according to a Pittsburg University anthropology professor.

"The Cheyenne were the closest you could get to the Pilgrim fathers among Indians - very uptight," said anthropologist Margot Liberty.

A Cheyenne man could not marry until he had a distinguished war record, which took time to acquire and left him frustrated in the meantime, according to the professor.

Liberty spoke here recently at Indiana University on "Cheyenne Women: Past and Present" Her lecture was part of university's women's studies series, "Women, Sex Roles, and the Family."

"No wonder they were known as the ferocious Cheyennes," said Liberty. "They had a great deal of motivation for achieving a war record at an early time."

The Cheyenne believed not having sex would preserve their power. "It was thought sex diminished warring abilities, Liberty said. "This practice can be seen in our own culture in certain practices before athletic events."

In Crow society, according to the professor, women were expected to have premarital sex, but it could cause terror for them after marriage.

"For a couple of weeks in the spring, the two rival Crow military societies would engage in mock warfare, which would include wife kidnapping. Any man who had premarital sex with a woman married to a man from the other military society could kidnap her during this time," said Liberty.

"He usually kept her for a couple of days and then kicked her out. Her original husband would be despised if he ever accepted her back. Even when the kidnapper was lying and had never had sex with the wife, the code forbade protesting," Liberty continued. "Women would hide during this period, terrified that they would be taken away."

Indian TV series aired in Montana

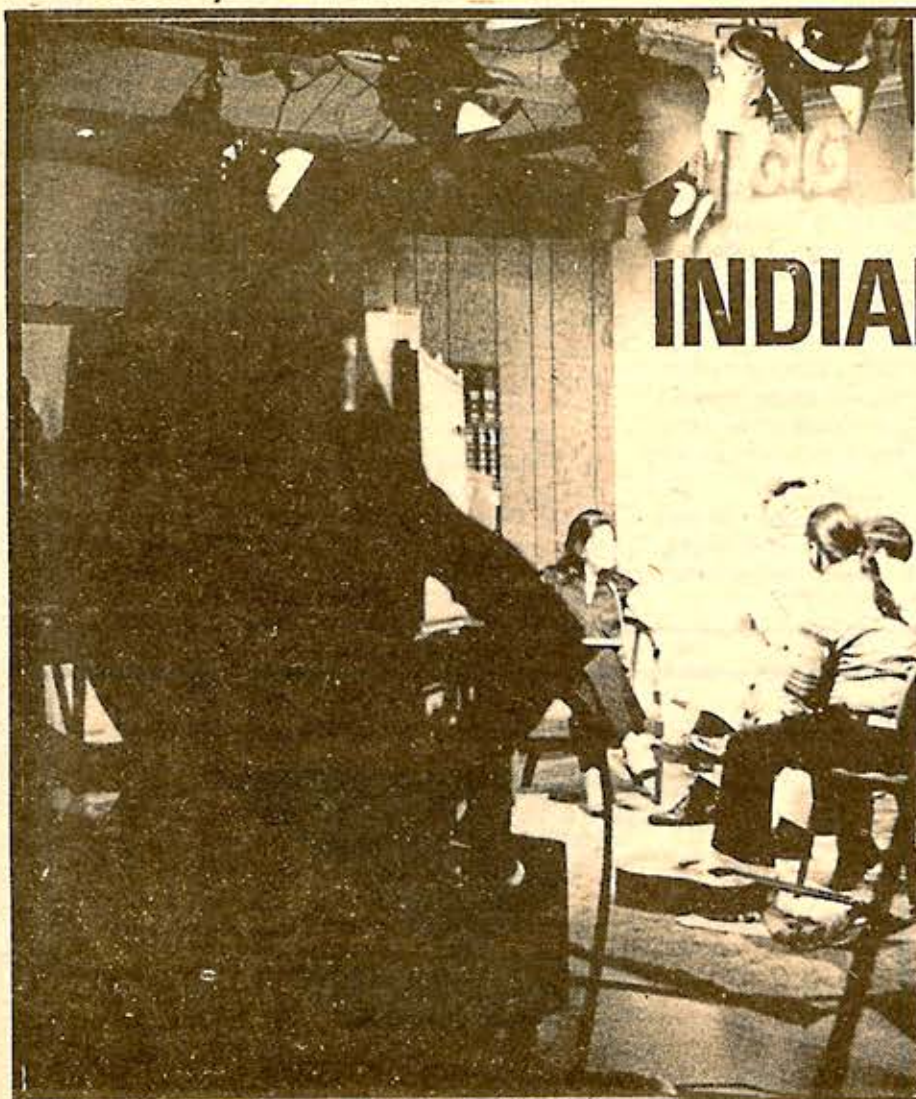
BILLINGS, Mont. - Television viewers here and in other Montana cities will be able to acquaint themselves with Indian culture and issues starting in October, as a series of shows dedicated to Native Americans premieres on the Montana Television Network.

"Indians in Progress," a series of half hour educational shows, will focus on Indian topics from Indian art and Indian education to Indian religious and philosophical thought.

The first in the series, "Expressions in Art," will be aired on Oct. 17 on MTN owned stations. It will give a broad overview of contemporary Indian artists expressing heritage and culture through their chosen art mediums. Thereafter, one show from the series will be aired once a month on Sundays.

Produced by Ron Holt, each show in the "Indians in Progress" series will begin with "Views in the News", a digest of Indian-related news.

According to Holt, the series has the blessing of the Montana Inter-tribal Policy Board. Montana colleges and their Indian studies programs and Indian educators have also given their support, said Holt, and will be participating in the research work for future shows.



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