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# Delegates Discuss Water Rights



Commissioner Morris Thompson is presented with a peace pipe by Nathan Little Soldier from Fort Berthold at a recent water rights meeting.

Commissioner of Indian Affairs Morris Thompson from Washington D.C. is to attend the Fifth Annual United Tribes Days Rodeo and Dancing Contest Sept. 8. He is planning to remain on Center until Sept. 9.

The delegates at the Native American Natural Resource Development Federation of the Northern Great Plains were informed by Murray Sagsveen, legislative assistant and staff attorney for the Governor's office, the water rights dispute may have to be solved through a lawsuit.

Sagsveen said the lawsuit will result because the ownership of water is claimed by the federal government, state government and the Indian people. "You have three conflicting ownerships and depending who you talk to, you will get three different answers."

Approximately 70 people from five states and more than 16 tribes attended the conference June 25-26 at Four Bear Lodge near New Town, N.D. to discuss water rights and other reservation problems. Morris Thompson, commissioner of the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), was present to hear views and issues of the represented tribes.

Water rights was a major issue discussed among the tribes. "Non-Indians are using reservation water to irrigate land. The tribes were never paid for this," a Flathead representative said. "Everyone here has this problem--non-Indians using Indian water."

Another delegate said state law has no jurisdiction on the reservation and therefore no jurisdiction to issue water rights on the reservation.

Robert Burnette, chairman of the Federation and Rosebud Reservation, told the assembly Rosebud was going to secure back the Missouri River. "We never sold it. They never passed any legislation or payed a penny to us."

Burnette also said the Indian people would get back the Black Hills in South Dakota. "If we don't, the government will know there is a Sioux tribe willing to fight. Things are changing in favor of the Indian people."

Lack of funds for needed projects, the development of reservation resources and boundary lines were among other problems discussed. Several times during the Conference the Commissioner and the BIA were accused of not fulfilling their trust responsibility.

A representative from Crow Reservation said communication is needed between the Commissioner and the Indian people. "There are volumes of regulations between us. I'm sorry to say this, but when your office (Commissioner's) makes good intentions, I never seem to see it."

Melvin White Eagle, chairman of Standing Rock Reservation, told the Commissioner when Indian people try to be self determined they are left out in left field and have no backing.

White Eagle also said the area offices should be eliminated and the power given back to the agencies. He told the assembly, Indian people are capable of dealing with their own problems.

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# Editorial

By: harriett skye

SARAH BAD HEART BULL, INDIANS & WATERGATE

There was relatively little published in our Indian newspapers about the Watergate affair, the hearings of the Ervin Committee and the impeachment hearings held by the House Judiciary Committee. There have been a few exceptions, but the American Indian Press has fastidiously chosen to ignore the entire matter.

It was almost as though American Indians did not want to be a part in any way, or have anything to do with the whole mess. This appears to be true with our non-Indian neighbors when a crisis occurs in "Indian Country"...and that brings us to the sentencing of Sarah Bad Heart Bull to one to five years in the penitentiary in S.D., because she assaulted an officer of the law.

In comparison is a list of one-time Nixon men who have been convicted or have pleaded guilty so far to high crimes related to the Watergate scandal.

1) Kalmbach---corrupt practises in National campaign finance - 6 to 18 months.

2) Kleindienst, perjury during his senate confirmation hearings - suspended sentence of 1 month and \$100.00 fine.

3) Egil Krogh, Jr.---conspiracy - 6 months.

4) Dwight Chapin---Perjury about campaign dirty tricks-- 10 to 30 months in prison.

These crimes are of a magnitude that surpasses anything so far in our national history, yet Sarah Bad Heart Bull went to prison because she wanted the killer(s) of her son arrested and tried. She has been taken away from her remaining children.

Ironically, the Custer incident itself occurred following the death of Wesley Bad Heart Bull, 20 year old son of Sarah, who was brutally beaten to death at Buffalo Gap near Custer, S.D. in January of 1973. From all appearances, Mrs. Bad Heart Bull faces a tragedy whose magnitude we'll never know, and this is only further proof of the racism and corrosive mentality Indian people in "Indian Country" are facing every day.

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Mr. Nixon lost his job, and Sarah Bad Heart Bull lost her son. As parents we never think we are going to die before our children, and that, it would seem, should be some comfort to us, but when you loose a child, we are without any comfort. We would all rather loose a job, rather than one of our sons or daughters.

If Mr. Nixon is granted amnesty, and it appears he might, then unless national attention is focused directly on the state of S.D.'s policies of harrassment, prison sentences, and death for Indians who dare to stand up and speak out for their rights, many more Indian people like Sarah Bad Heart Bull, wife, mother and grandmother will go to crummy jails and prisons. It

would also make a mockery of the Constitution, and should convince us all that we have different laws for different people.

It is imperative that unless Indians become more vocal, these occurrances will happen again and again, and we may expect no mercy from the courts.... especially in the state of S.D.

# Hunting and Fishing Delegates To Meet with Governor Kniep

By: Peggy Barnard

Representative members of reservations in North and South Dakota are to meet with S.D. Governor, Richard Kniep, to discuss hunting and fishing rights, Sept. 9th, a tentative date set, said Tom Shortbull, Executive Director of the Task Force on State and Indian Government Relations.

The scheduled meeting with the Governor came as a result of a meeting on August 5th at the Chief Gall Inn on the Standing Rock Indian Reservation, at which Tribal and legal representatives met to discuss the issue of Tribal jurisdiction pertaining to hunting and fishing rights.

The question of who has jurisdiction in regard to hunting and fishing on reservations has become a major issue with tribal governments in both North and South Dakota. Many reservations have closed their boundaries to non-Indians for hunting and fishing. The latest of the reservations to close was the Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux. Members of their tribal council were instrumental in calling the meeting at Mobridge.

People in attendance at the meeting were: Tom Shortbull; representatives from Rosebud, Crow Creek, Sisseton-Wahpeton, Fort Totten, Cheyenne River and Standing Rock. Legal representatives from the individual tribes, United Tribes of N.D.; NARF, and Wallace Dunker, Field Soliciter for the BIA, at Aberdeen, S.D.

Discussion at the meeting began with the presentation of a Model Agreement by Shortbull, which had been drawn up by the S/I Task Force. The Task Force appointed by Governor Kniep, comprised of nine tribal chairman and nine non-Indians, four of which were state legislators and five state employees.

The Agreement was to be made between the Dept. of Game, Fish and Parks and the Tribe. It was to provide a system of dual licensing, the State selling one license and the Tribe the other. This would double the price of hunting and fishing

licenses in the State. Non Indians would be required to buy both licenses to be able to legally hunt both reservation and non-reservation land. Through the agreement the Department and the Tribe would mutually make decisions regarding seasons, hunting hours, possession limits, area open-closed, fees for state and tribal licenses, persons eligible for application, agent's fees, number of licenses, permits issuable and special provisions. Agreement would be made to licensing system, number of licenses allocated, regulations, trespass, guide-books, posting, enforcement, game management and technical assistance.

Under Enforcement, tribal conservation officers would be ex officio state conservation officers and state conservation officers would be ex officio tribal conservation officers. This would allow state officers to have jurisdiction over Indian hunters which they do not have at this time.

Under Additional Points, the Tribe would agree to adopt a tribal hunting and fishing code consistent with good conservation practice. They are at present exempt from a code. Tribal members have not previously been limited in game either, but under this agreement they would be.

Tribal representatives at the meeting seemed to reject the Model Agreement from the offset. Their discussion was pointed more in the direction of who had jurisdiction over reservation land, what legal aspects were involved in the tribes gaining jurisdiction, and how the tribes could put a stop to the State issuing licenses to non-Indians hunting on reservation land.

Jerry Flute, Sisseton-Wahpeton Tribal Secretary, said he wanted to find out "which tribes have had litigation giving them jurisdiction over non-Indians, if any, and to determine who legally does own the game." If the game belongs to the tribe, the state has no right to regulate hunting and fishing, said Flute.

# Means Appointed to Advisory Council

Warren W. Means, Executive Director of the United Tribes of North Dakota Development Corporation, was recently appointed to the National Advisory Council on Vocational Education. Means is the first Indian member of this Presidentially appointed council.

The Advisory Council was established to evaluate and amend Vocational Education plans and proposals before they are submitted to Congress.

"We serve as advisers to vocational education interest groups," Means said. "They bring their proposals to us and we in turn make our recommendations and amendments, then return them to the respective group for change."

Former Ohio Governor, James Rhodes, chairs the council of prominent legislators, businessmen and educators from around the country.

In addition to his new position, Means serves on the Washington, D.C. Housing Authority Board of Directors; the Advisory Board of N.D. Indians in Medicine Program; the N.D. Governor's Council for Manpower Resources; the Rural Housing Alliance Board of Directors; the Lewis & Clark 1809 Resource and Economic Development Committee; and the National Indian Activities Assoc. Board of Directors.

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The Treaty of 1867 with the Sisseton Wahpeton Sioux in providing for Indian hunting and fishing rights states: "And it is further agreed that no person not a member of said bands, parties hereto whether white, mixed-blood or Indian, except persons in the employment of the Government or located under its authority, shall be permitted to locate upon said lands, either for hunting, trapping or agricultural purposes.

This statement is included in a Position Paper on Game and Fish from the Genral Counsel Office of the Sisseton Wahpeton Sioux Tribe.

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The following is also taken from the Position Paper: The United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit on Dec. 7, 1973 in the case of U.S. exrel Feather et al. v. Erickson, 489 F 2d 99, held that the state of South Dakota has no criminal jurisdiction over Indians or Indian property within the confines of the Lake Traverse Reservation as described in Article III of the Treaty of Feb. 19, 1867. Instead, criminal jurisdiction on the reservation resides in the Federal Government and in the Sisseton Wahpeton Sioux Tribe. With the purview of criminal jurisdiction is the creation and enforcement of fish and game laws."

The paper continues, "The United States has imposed a criminal sanction on unauthorized hunting, fishing or trapping on Indian land: 'Whoever, without lawful authority or permission, willfully and knowingly goes upon any land that belongs to any Indian or Indian Tribe, band or group and either are held by the United States in trust or are subject to a restriction against alienation imposed by the United States, or upon any lands of the United States that are reserved for Indian use, for the purpose of hunting, trapping or fishing thereon, or for the removal of game, peltries or fish therefrom, shall be fined not more than \$200 or imprisoned not more than ninety days, or both, and all game, fish and peltries in his possession shall be forfeited.' (18 USC 1165)."

The preceding (18 USC 1165) became a topic of discussion among the legal representatives and the BIA Field Solicitor at the meeting in Mobridge. It seems it is very hard to prove in court "willfully and knowingly;" therefore many such cases have not been successfully prosecuted or attempted. NARF Attorney Tom Smithson suggested that (1165) be amended, the wording "willfully and knowingly" be stricken or the tribes take such action in posting the reservation or notifying the public so that willful and knowing action on the part of the hunters could be proven in court.

The question of trust responsibility was brought up and questions were directed to BIA representative Dunker. He said he had received no word on what the Department's view on the matter was and could therefore only speak for himself. He said he thought the tribes should try to get jurisdiction

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In the wedding group are (left to right) Bill Miller, Sue Williamson, Mrs. Joe Benson, Joe Benson, Rev. Lester Kills Crow and Ozzie Williamson.

## Fighting Bear and Benson Married at UTETC

Effie Fighting Bear and Joe Benson became the first couple to be married at the United Tribes Employment Training Center Aug. 18 in the chapel.

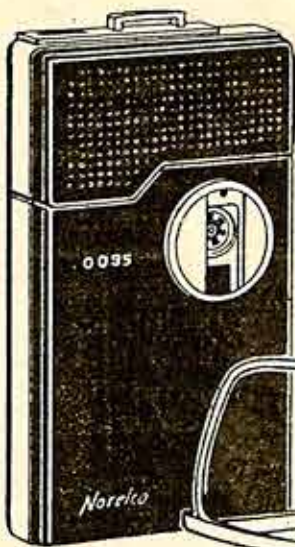
The wedding took place at 7:30 p.m. with the Rev. Lester Kills Crow officiating. A reception was given following the wedding in Building #71 on Center.

Attending the couple as witnesses were Mr. and Mrs. Ozzie Williamson. Williamson served as best man and Sue Williamson was matron of honor. Bill Miller gave the bride away.

Miller said most of the people who attended the ceremony were sober alcoholics, which speaks highly of the program here. He said, "It just goes to show you what you can do when you get sober-- you can even get married."

Mrs. Benson, a student in Nurse Aide, is from the Crow agency; Benson is from the Ft. Berthold agency and is a student in Food Service. They are to be graduated in November, 1974 and June, 1975, respectively.

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"With a staff of Indian people in their right minds, you can handle the problems of Indian affairs. We are more powerful than the Commissioner. I believe that strongly."

A Blackfoot representative said the problem was not that the BIA was doing bad things, but that they are doing nothing at all.

After the tribal presentations, Thompson said the trust responsibility of Indian land and resources is a primary function of the BIA. "Hopefully with some of the people we have, we can be a better trustee."

Burnette said the U.S. government is the overall trustee of the Indian people. The United States should be furnishing the Indian people with many services. "But we have not been pushing hard enough."

Burnette re-emphasized the Federation will not, in any way, take away power from the tribe, but only assist and only at their request. The statement was made in response to a letter from Marvin Sonosky, attorney from Washington, D.C., advising the tribes not to join the Federation because it would lessen tribal power.



Carol Rough Surface



Rosemary Rosseau

### Students of the Month Named

Carol Rough Surface was selected as the UTETC student of the Month for August. She is from Mobridge, S.D. and a graduate in the Human Services vocation.

Carol received incentive awards in Personal Development and also perfect attendance for the month of July. Carol is planning to work in a daycare center in Bismarck.

Rosemary Rosseau from Mobridge, S.D. was named Student of the Month for July.

Ms. Rosseau received incentive awards in Adult Basic Education and Personnel Development besides having perfect attendance. A Nurses Aide trainee, Ms. Rosseau is to graduate in October.

### 12 Students Enter UTETC

Twelve people entered the July training class at UTETC. The new students participated in a two week seminar conducted by students in the Human Services vocation.

The new trainees and their chosen vocations are Wayne Jeanotte from Rolla, N.D., Human Services; Patsy Vicenti and Karen Montoya from Dulce, New Mexico, Business Clerical; Coleen Springer from Macy, Neb., Nurses Aide; Leona Small from Harlem, Mt., Human Services and Vivian Hollow from Fort Yates, N.D., Business Clerical.

Other new students are Cyril and Lillian at the Straight from Parmelee, S.D., automotive and Nurses Aide; Larry and Donna Adams from St. Francis, S.D., Business Clerical and Nurses Aide; James and Judy Lilley from Belcourt, N.D., Automotive and Nurses Aide.



The twelve people entering the July training class at UTETC are in the back row from left to right: Patsy Vicenti, Karen Montoya, Leona Small, Judy Lilley, Donna Adams, Larry Adams, Lillian At The Straight, Wayne Jeanette. In the front row from left to right are Vivian Hollow, James Lilley, Coleen Springer, and Cyril At the Straight.

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## Students Graduate

Eleven students were graduated from UTETC Aug. 15. Al Cortes, assistant supervisor for UTETC Job Placement was the guest speaker.

The graduates and their respective vocations are Gerald Agard from Bullhead, S.D., Police Science; Ernest and Dolly Azure from Belcourt, N.D., Human Services and Business Clerical; and Antoine and Lucinda Medicine Crow from Ft. Thompson, S.D., Police Science and Human Services.

Other graduates are Henry and Carol Rough Surface from Kenel, S.D., Painting and Human Services; Barbara Trottier from Rolla, N.D., Human Services; Joan Belcourt from Harlem, Mt., Human Services; Lyman Vivier from St. Michael, N.D., Police Science; and Gaylord Gill from Sisseton, S.D., Auto Body (partial complete).

Eighteen students were graduated from UTETC July 18. This is the largest number of graduates for any specific month in the history of the Training Center.

Alemu Mekdes, program coordinator of the Ethiopian Women's Welfare Association at Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, was the guest speaker at ceremonies conducted on campus. She told the students graduation day was a great day for them. "You have a great challenge ahead of you."

The graduates and their respective vocations were Linda Birdinground, Crow Agency, Mt., Leslie Vigil, Dulce, N.M.; LaVera Covey, St. Francis, S.D., all in Business Clerical; Rose Gardipe, Polson, Mont. and Marvine Two Eagle, Parmelee, S.D., both in Nurse Aide.

Also graduating were Kenneth Vincenti, Jesse Valdez, both from Dulce, N.M.; Melvin Shoots The Enemy, McIntosh, S.D., all in Building Trades; James Gardipe, Polson, Mont., Painting; Jerry Longie, Tokio, N.D., Police Science; Harvey Covey, St. Francis, S.D., Automotive; Theresa Shoots the Enemy, McIntosh, S.D., and Patricia DePriest, Dulce, N.M., both in Food Services.

Presently eight people have been placed. They are James Gardipe, Emporia Decorations at Denver, Col.; LaVera Covey, Mainstream at Rosebud, S.D.; Jerry Longie, Halifax Security at Nekoma, N.D.; Marvine Two Eagle, Mainstream at Rosebud, S.D.; Harvey Covey, Highway Dept., (BIA) at Rosebud, S.D.; Vicki Bercier, Public Health Hospital and Sharon Monarco, EDA secretary at Dulce, N.M.



## UTETC School Wins 1st in Children's Parade

The Theodore Jamerson Elementary School at UTETC was awarded a first place ribbon for its float entry in the Children's Day-U.S.A. parade sponsored by the Veterans Memorial Library July 25 in Bismarck, said Kathy Blanc, elementary school instructor.

Approximately 30 children from the elementary school rode on the float; some wearing traditional costumes. The float was designed by Nadine Vigil and decorated by the elementary school students. Two students also carried the United Tribes symbol in front of the float. The symbol was designed by Butch Thunderhawk and made with the children's help.

Russell Plainfeather played the drum and sang as part of the UTETC float.

Children's Day-U.S.A. is a national day, "honoring all good children," according to Darrel Hildebrant, special programs director for the Veterans Memorial Library.

More than 100 children, ages six months to 12 years participated in the day's events. The parade was preceded by a pet show and accompanied by puppet shows, stories and a performance by the Shade Tree Players.

The United Tribes symbol carried in the parade is now on display in the Administration building.

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## Foreign Visitors Tour UTETC

"I am very impressed by what your Center has to offer the Indian people," was the view expressed by Par Granstedt, member of the Swedish Parliament and guest of United Tribes July 24 and 25, after he'd toured the training facilities at UTETC.

Granstedt, 28, was visiting the United States during the month of July as a guest of the State Department. Prior to his visit to United Tribes, he'd been in Washington D.C., Boston, Ottawa, Canada and New York City.

His interest in minority problems and programs brought Granstedt to UTETC. "Previous to the Wounded Knee take over, my country was unaware that America even had an Indian problem," Granstedt said. But after he visited the BIA office in Washington and discussed problems of the Indian people with United Tribes personnel, Granstedt became alerted to the question of Indian development and rights.

"The developing problems of reservations, such as unemployment and education remind me very much of the problems that developing countries in Africa and Asia face," he said.

After touring UTETC, Granstedt attended the Water Rights Convention at New Town, N.D. on the Fort Berthold Reservation. While there he talked to convention delegates and heard Morris Thompson, BIA Commissioner, speak on the Bureau's plans and programs.

"I can now understand why the Indian people have such a great desire to reinstate their claim to natural resource rights on the reservation," Granstedt said after leaving the convention. "I hope you resolve your differences with the state and federal governments soon."

The prevailing question on everyone's mind when they met Granstedt was about Watergate and President Nixon. His reply was that Nixon had never been very popular in Sweden because of the Vietnam war and he hoped Nixon would resign because impeachment is a very long process.

Granstedt had one provocative question that was left unanswered. Why in a country as wealthy as the United States do reservations remain so poor? No one had an answer.

Alemu Mekdes, program coordinator of the Ethiopian Women's Welfare Association, from Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, visited UTETC July 18-20 during her tour of the United States.

Mrs. Mekdes was interested in exploring methods of recruitment and training of paraprofessionals in teaching handicrafts and adult education, health and social welfare. She also expressed an interest in child welfare programs and special self-help programs for disadvantaged people.

While at UTETC, Mrs. Mekdes toured the educational and vocational facilities and also received an in-depth view of early childhood education.

Mrs. Mekdes and Jean Robbins, escort officer of the State Department, toured Theodore Jamerson Elementary School at UTETC, several vocations, Child Development Center and the American Indian Curricula Development Program. The ladies also spoke with Ozzie Williamson and Bill Miller, alcoholism counselors at UTETC.

Mrs. Mekdes spoke at the graduation ceremonies July 18. She told the graduating students and the audience she was impressed with the work of the Center and

the different positions occupied by women. She congratulated the students and staff for their work.

The visitors also viewed the Garrison Dam and toured the Three Affiliated Tribes Stoneware at Newtown. Jim Walker, owner of the Stoneware shop demonstrated the forming of jugs and other containers from masses of pottery.

Mrs. Mekdes is a participant in the International Visitors Program in the U.S. State Department and toured the United States during July 25-Aug. 5. Before coming to Bismarck, the ladies visited Washington, D.C., New York City, Cleveland, and Mt. Pleasant, Mich. They also toured institutions at Denver, Los Angeles, Atlanta and returned to Washington, D.C.

Presently Mrs. Mekdes is program coordinator of the Ethiopian Women's Welfare Association. The Association coordinates programs with and gives assistance to primary schools, health clinics and adult education schools in 13 provinces throughout Ethiopia.

Pat Stuen, supervisor of the Child Development Center, and Lynette Wohl, former supervisor of Community Education, were escorts for the ladies while at UTETC.

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Lester Kills Crow

## Kills Crow Accepts Position

Lester Kills Crow, men's dorm counselor, is to leave UTETC effective Sept. 1 to take a position as priest in charge of the Standing Rock Episcopal Mission, in South Dakota. Kills Crow said his appointment was made by the Bishop of South Dakota and members of the Episcopal church.

The job involve being in an administrative role overseeing six chapels in South Dakota, said Kills Crow. "I will also be preaching and administering the sacraments. I will be working with one ordained priest and four licensed lay ministers on the South Dakota side and one ordained priest and two lay ministers on the North Dakota side."

Kills Crow said he also is to be working in conjunction with the St. Elizabeth Mission in Wakpala, S.D.

He was graduated from Lake Region Junior College at Devils Lake and North Dakota State University-Fargo with a major in psychology and a minor in sociology. He was graduated from Northwestern University at Evanston, Ill. in 1965 where he did his theological studies.

Kills Crow first came to UTETC in 1971 as counselor and chaplain, he returned in 1973 to take the position of dorm counselor.

He has served in various positions as social worker and priest. His first church was the Christ Episcopal in Mandan. From there he went to the Standing Rock Episcopal at Ft. Yates and later to the Pine Ridge Episcopal. He has worked at the Cheyenne River Reservation in Dupree and Eagle Butte, S.D. and for the Oglala Sioux at Pine Ridge, S.D. Before coming to UTETC, he was working in the Western Community Action Program in Rapid City, S.D.

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if that's what they wanted. He said he felt it was within their rights but repeated he was speaking only for himself. He could supply no input as to trust responsibility.

Richard Lone Dog, Rosebud representative, said he thought, "The tribe should be able to claim the right to regulate the reservation" and that they should also be able to "claim the right to hunt and fish without regulation. He said, the tribes have never been asked to decide how many licenses should be issued on the reservation.

All tribal representatives were asked if they would go along with an injunction against the state to prohibit the state from selling licenses for hunting on reservation lands. Most of the answers were in the affirmative, with the remaining seeming sure their tribe would agree but it would have to be taken before the tribal council for confirmation.

Further jurisdictional questions were raised and the attorneys present were asked if they had any comments as to legality. Most of the evidence the tribal members were offering in defense of their jurisdiction over non-Indians on the reservations was based on Treaties formed with the United States Government.

Smithson stated, "All treaties both International and Domestic are subject to breach by both parties, therefore there is no way to force the government to comply with a treaty. Recourse is to take it to the International Courts for a resolution or to appeal to world opinion, but there is no legal recourse of enforcement. Claims for damages can also be made."

Comment was made that the U.S. government usually takes their treaties seriously, because if they didn't they would lose their credibility.

Joe Schneider, representative of the Crow Creek Sioux Tribe, suggested a meeting with the governor to present their views since they were not considering the Model Agreement. The other representatives agreed and follow-

ing some discussion the meeting was adjourned.

Shortbull, in reaction to the meeting, said "I realize that the tribes have a legitimate concern, but I feel that they should try to work through the Model Agreement and that efforts should be made toward cooperation with the state. If they seek legal recourse, there are many problems that will arise. For one, there will be less of a chance of cooperation between the tribes and the state. If they try to limit non-Indians bad feelings will arise, possible damaging future efforts for compromise.

"I think that the state has compromised in the Department of Game, Fish and Parks' action to adopt the Model Agreement. The Model Agreement serves as a remedy to court action. I feel that the Tribes are a little too far to the left on this matter."

Flute said, "I think the meeting was good for the tribes that attended. For the first time, they have been able to express their sentiments in this matter. Each tribe left the

meeting with the objective of consulting their attorneys about litigation against the state."

"NARF is doing research on litigation now for the Sisseton Wahpeton Sioux Tribe. The tribe requested their aid through a resolution. They (NARF) would also be willing to help any other tribe who requests such action through resolution, providing the tribes has no resources from which to hire their own attorney or has no general counsel now available to their tribe."

In speaking of the upcoming meeting with Gov. Knip, Flute said, "Personally, speaking for myself, not on behalf

of the council, I will not compromise with the state. It is going to be tribal jurisdiction over the state in hunting and fishing or nothing else."

## Harvey Named To ND Commission

Bob Harvey, Police Science instructor and supervisor of security, attended the first commission meeting of the North Dakota Criminal Justice Commission July 31 in Grand Forks. Harvey was named to the Commission July 19 by a committee comprised of the Governor, Attorney General and Chief Justice of the N.D. Supreme Court.

Harvey's name was submitted to the committee by the Tribal Affairs Commission in June, after which he was nominated to the 50 member State Commission. The state organization evolved out of the National Conference on Criminal Justice Goals and Standards.

The National Conference began in 1973 with 600 delegates from throughout the country. It was designed to set up goals and standards for law enforcement in the areas of police, criminal justice, courts, corrections and juvenile. From this conference a study of

standards and goals was established and the conference published documents in the designated areas.

It is the responsibility of the state commissions to review the materials produced by the National Conference, propose any changes and draft legislation to present at the 75th session of the N.D. State Legislature. The goal of the Commission is to initiate

those desired changes into state law, said Harvey.

The N.D. Criminal Justice Commission is to be meeting monthly with two more full Commission meetings to be conducted before the 75th session of the legislature. The Commission is under the directorship of Jack McDonald, attorney in Grand Forks.



# Recreation Sets Schedule

The men's fast pitch softball team will play their final game at the Fifth Annual United Tribes Days Fast Pitch Softball Tournament Sept. 7 and 8. Women's Volleyball League play is to begin Sept. 17 with men's flag football beginning Sept. 16. Each league will run four weeks with a tournament following.

Sept. 20 is the tentative date for the ACTION staff versus UTETC staff flag football game. Oct. 18 is the scheduled date for the Annual Toilet Bowl Game between students and staff.

A Masquerade Ball is scheduled for Oct. 31 in the gymnasium. Everyone is to participate, there are to be games and prizes, free refreshments and a band. There are to be no alcoholic beverages on the premises.

Ceramics is to begin Sept. 9 with the shop to open Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday nights from 6:30-9:30. The workshop is to be open Saturdays from 2-5 p.m. for children and every other Sunday evening (6:30-9:30) opposite Bingo which is to begin Sept. 15. Leathercraft is pending.

Movies are to begin in Sept. and run through May, tentatively on Center. The films are to be feature length.

# Indians Tried For Slaughter Of Birds

Oklahoma City, Okla.---(AIPA)---The fourteen Oklahoma Indian defendants charged with "selling or offering for sale feathered ornaments with feathers of protected birds, went to trial June 21 in the U.S. District for the Western District of Oklahoma in Oklahoma City finishing five days later, resulting in a dismissal for two of the defendants and a two year probation for the other twelve, according to one Indian lawyer for the defense Vincent Knight.

Knight said, "We will file for an appeal, but some of the defendants don't have the money to pursue the case further. But we will file anyway so they don't lose their chance to appeal."

The two defendants who had their cases dismissed were Lura Jones, (Kiowa) and Sam Buffalo, (Ponca). Ms. Lura Jones fought her case on the grounds that the feathers sold were not protected under law until 1972 and she had possession prior to the law.

Sam Buffalo won his case because he never made an offer to sell nor did he sell any feathers.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service charges that the Indians had been involved in a large scale slaughter of migratory birds and had come to the conclusion after a six month undercover investigation.

One of the issues in the case, at least to Indians, was the right to have free religious expression apparently it had no bearing on the court.



Larry Desmuelts

# N-O-T-I-C-E

The Office of Public Information's staff here at UTETC is in the process of planning and putting together the "Great Plains Indian Media Seminar", September 24, and 25, here in BISMARCK.

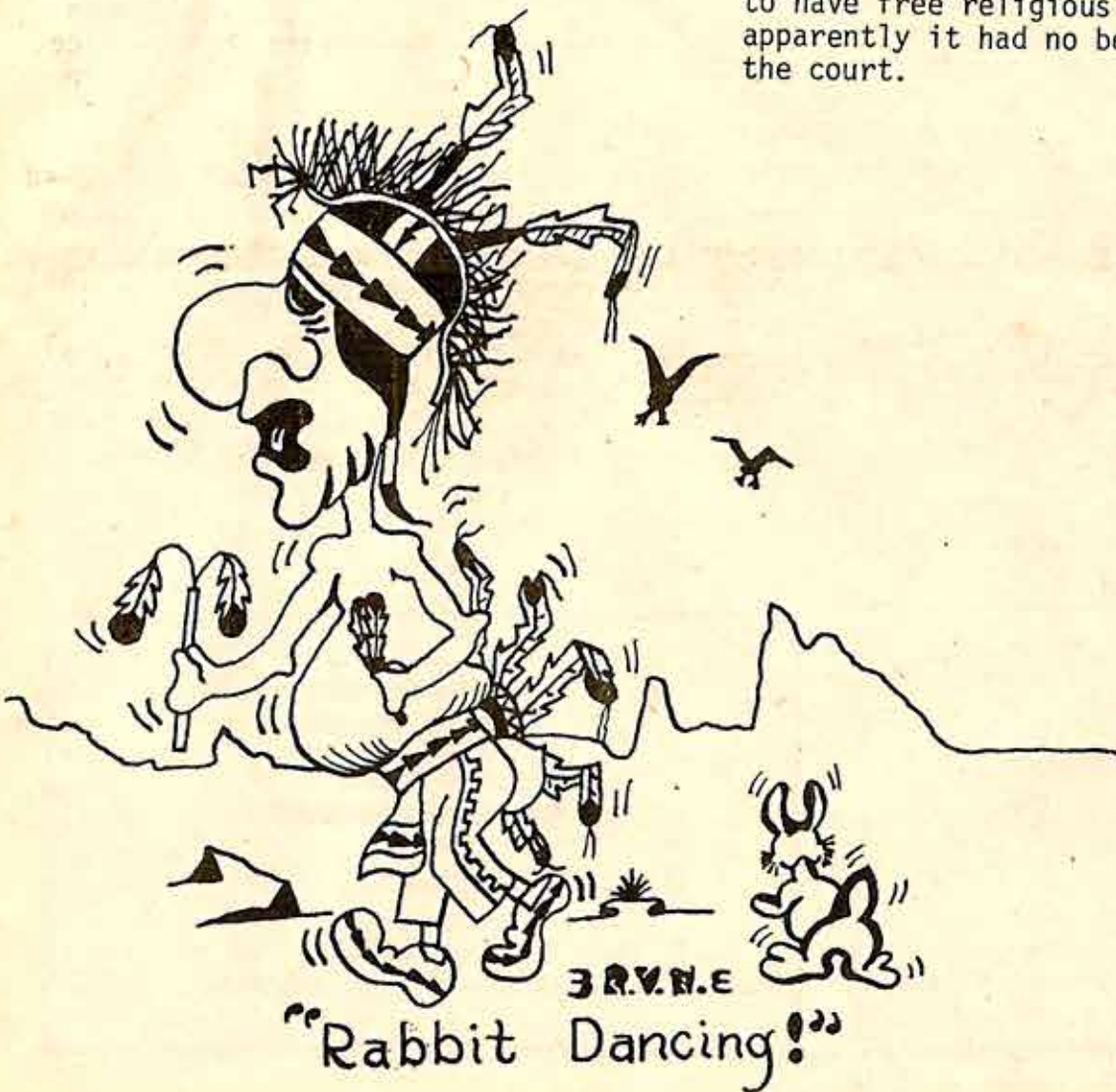
There are many of us involved in the mass media who are doing the best jobs possible to sensitize the general public to the numerous complexities and issues American Indians face today, but we also need to formulate a unified effort among ourselves, and talk in terms of solutions. Therefore it is our hope that we can keep our workshop/seminar as Indian as we can.

Larry Desmuelts, Executive Director of the Alberta Native Communications Society in Edmonton, Alberta will be our keynote speaker. We have also invited Dick LaCourse and Ms. Rose Robinson of the American Indian Press Association, Washington, D.C. to participate with us.

Invitations have been mailed out to all those organizations, individuals, telecasters, television people that are listed in the AIPA Directory, however, if we have missed you please don't feel that this was on purpose, there are some that we don't know about, but have no addresses for.

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AC (701) 255-3285 Ext. 268

We will be happy to make room reservations for you, and fill you in on just what it is we hope to accomplish.





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## CAPITOL SCOUT

## Upcoming News of Special Significance

(The following are AIPA News features)

FORD'S PLEDGE TO AMERICA'S MINORITIES

"I am the people's man," President Gerald R. Ford told a joint session of Congress Aug. 12, and Ford then described the diversity of America's peoples to whom he has committed himself: "To the limits of my strength and ability, I will be the President of the black, brown, red and white Americans, of old and young, of women's liberationists and male chauvinists and all the rest of us in between, of the poor and the rich, of Native sons and new refugees, of those who work at lathes or at desks or in mines or in the fields, and of Christians, Jews, Moslems, Buddhists and atheists, if there really are any atheists after what we have all been through."

NCAI SET INDIAN ENERGY DEVELOPMENT SEMINAR

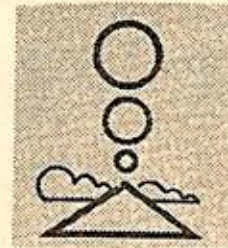
A special seminar for Indian tribes with potential resources such as gas oil, shale, coal, uranium and hydrothermal power and the like was held at the Ramada Inn in Billings, Mont. Aug. 28-29 under the auspices of the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI).

MARVIN FRANKLIN REJOINS PHILLIPS OIL

Marvin L. Franklin (Iowa), since February of 1973 Special Assistant to the Interior Secretary on Indian Affairs, left Interior July 15 to return to his former employer where he had worked for 28 years, the Phillips Petroleum Company in Bartlesville, Okla., where he retained a home while aboard with Interior. Franklin is assuming the post of Director for Congressional Affairs with the oil firm. Franklin was in charge of the BIA from February to December 3, 1973, when Indian Commissioner Morris Thompson took his oath of office. Franklin continued on with Interior for a brief buffer period.

CALIFORNIA INDIAN COMMISSION BITES DUST

A bill to create a California State Indian Advisory Commission (S.B. 1420) before the California legislature has bitten the dust after many California Indians, mindful of an earlier commission and its controversies, showered legislators with protests concerning the bill co-sponsored by State Sens. John Harmer and Mervyn Dymally. He withdrew the bill just before a scheduled hearing date. Prime opponent was the California Indian Education Association, which rallied urban and rural Indians, tribal chairmen, landless and unaffiliated Indians as well as non-Indian groups to bring the proposal to a grinding halt.



## AMERICAN INDIAN PRESS ASSOCIATION

INTERIOR NAMES CHEROKEE HISTORICAL SITE

A new national historical landmark, announced by Interior Secretary Rogers C.B. Morton Aug. 11 is the Murrell House at Park Hill, Okla. located at the end of the infamous Trail of Tears in Oklahoma, four miles south of Tahlequah, which became the religious, social and cultural capital of the Cherokees following their tragic removal from Georgia and Arkansas in the 1830s and 1840's. The Murrell House was built in 1845 and is the last remaining structure of the transplanted and displaced Cherokees.

CATTLEMEN'S ASSOC. PLANS N.M. MEET

The new National Indian Cattlemen's Assn. formed last May 25th will assemble in Albuquerque, N.M. Sept. 12-14 at the Midway Holiday Inn to set their objectives, by-laws and membership committee. They will also participate in cattle marketing panels, land leasing panels, and look at the financing of the market. Speakers scheduled to appear include Indian Commissioner Morris Thompson, the N.M. Governor, the mayor of Albuquerque, the president of N.M. State Univ. and the head of the Office of Native American Programs, George Blue Spruce. The session will conclude with a Stockmen's Ball.

BOGUE REJECTS JUSTICE DEPARTMENT BRIEF

In Rapid City, S.D. July 29, District Court Judge Charles Bogue rejected a Justice Department "friend of the court" brief which had charged the Oglala Sioux Tribal administration of Tribal President Richard A. Wilson with interference in the civil rights of reservation voters in reservation elections last February, when Wilson faced AIM leader Russell C. Means in runoff balloting. Bogue said the Justice brief was "biased" against the tribal government. Now, ruled Bogue, the case must be heard on its own merits. The suit is Means v. Wilson. The intervention of Justice came through its Office of Indian Rights.

BIA DEPUTY COMMISSIONER SEARCH CONTINUES

Indian Commissioner Morris Thompson recently named a recruiting group to assist him in seeking out an individual to be named BIA Deputy Commissioner. The person nominated to that post must win the approval of the Interior Department and the White House, and gain clearance from the FBI and the Civil Service Commission. At least one candidate has encountered problems with this clearance circuit because he reportedly was involved in financing of a pornographic movie.



Michelle Sheridan

## Inmed Coordinator To Appear on Indian TV Show

Michelle Sheridan, curriculum coordinator for the Indian Medical Program (InMed), is to be the guest on the Indian Country Today show Sept. 27 on KFVR TV.

The InMed program is connected with University of North Dakota in Grand Forks. The goal of the program is to encourage more Indians to get into the medical professions. Scholarships are made available to Indian wishing to enter medical school or the school of dentistry. For those students who claim premed majors, financial and counseling assistance is also offered.

Ms. Sheridan's job as curriculum involves developing curriculum for grades three through six to be utilized in the Traveling Medicine Show. This is a display vehicle that visits pow-wows during the summer and school districts with large Indian enrollments during the winter.

The curriculum Ms. Sheridan designs coincides with the displays in the traveling show. They have model units describing the five senses, the skeletal structure, muscular, nervous, respiratory and digestive systems.

InMed serves a five state region including North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Montana and Wyoming.

Ms. Sheridan said the Advisory board for the program is made up of tribal council representatives from 22 reservations. "It is our hope that these board members will become more active in informing students about our program and aid in recruiting new students for InMed.

A four week summer program is run for junior high and high school students at UND. Each group takes courses in math, physics, chemistry and biology. The students' room and board and a weekly stipend is paid by InMed. These are students who have shown special abilities in math and science. This summer program and the Medicine Show are specifically designed to get youngsters interested in medical careers early and also to inform them of the great number of job opportunities in medicine, said Ms. Sheridan.



LES GARCIA SPURS TO 1ST PLACE WINNERS  
AND ALL AROUND COWBOY  
(IN CASE OF TIE FOR 1ST, WINNERS WILL FLIP COIN  
FOR THE SPURS)  
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# 5<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL UNITED TRIBES DAYS

SEPTEMBER 6-7-8  
3 PERFORMANCES - 1 GO-AROUND  
OPEN RODEO - NON-SANCTIONED

# RODEO

NEW UNITED TRIBES RODEO ARENA - BISMARCK, N.D.  
3 MILES SOUTH OF BISMARCK, N.D.

RODEO PERFORMANCE: 7:30 P.M. FRI., SEPT. 6th

ADMISSION PER DAY 2:00 P.M. SAT., SEPT. 7th

\$2.50 ADULTS - HIGH SCHOOL \$1.50  
(under 6 years free) 2:00 P.M. SUN., SEPT. 8th

ENTRIES MUST BE MAILED TO RODEO OFFICE U.T.E.C. 3315 SO. AIRPORT RD. BISMARCK, N. DAK. 58501. A CERTIFIED CHECK OR MONEY ORDER MUST ACCOMPANY ENTRIES. NO PERSONAL CHECKS ACCEPTED. ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BEFORE AUGUST 23, 5:00 P.M. NO CALL IN ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.

EVENT	PURSE	ENTRY FEE (ADDED TO PURSE)
SADDLE BRONC	\$300	\$30
BAREBACK	\$300	\$30
BULLRIDING	\$300	\$30
CALEF ROPING	\$300	\$30
STEER WRESTLING	\$300	\$30
BARREL RACING	\$200	\$20
TEAM ROPING	\$300	\$50 A TEAM
(\$5.00 STOCK CHARGE PER TEAM ENTER ONCE)		

ALL SLACK 11:00 SEPT. 7-8

CONTESTANTS MAY CALL 704-255-3285 EXT. 211 OR 212 AFTER SEPT. 1 FOR RESULTS OF THE DRAW. LETTERS TO ALL CONTESTANTS WILL BE SENT INDICATING THE DRAW AND THE DAY YOU ARE UP.



# INTERNATIONAL INDIAN CHAMPIONSHIP DANCING CONTEST

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GRAND ENTRY - ALL PARTICIPANTS ARE REQUIRED TO PARTICIPATE IN EACH GRAND ENTRY. THERE WILL BE GRAND ENTRY PERFORMANCES SCHEDULED FOR

SATURDAY - 1:30 P.M.  
7:30 P.M.  
SUNDAY - 1:30 P.M.  
7:30 P.M.

REGISTRATION - ALL PARTICIPANTS ARE REQUIRED TO REGISTER TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR PRIZE MONEY.

1. ALL PARTICIPANTS ARE REQUIRED TO REGISTER TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR PRIZE MONEY.
  2. ALL DRUMS (head drummer) WILL REGISTER THEIR RESPECTIVE GROUPS.
  3. PLENTY OF GOOD WATER AND CAMP GROUND. COMMITTEE NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ACCIDENTS.
- ONE MEAL SERVED DAILY 4:00 - 6:00 P.M.  
FRIDAY, SATURDAY, & SUNDAY



## ADMISSION BUTTONS

\$2.00 PER INDIVIDUAL

## FOR DANCING CONTEST ONLY

(BUTTONS GOOD FOR 3 DAYS)

### DANCING CONTEST PRIZES

MENS		MENS		MENS	
FANCY DANCE		STRAIGHT DANCE (BUSTLE)		NON-BUSTLE	
1ST PLACE	\$700	1ST PLACE	\$300	1ST PLACE	\$300
2ND PLACE	\$500	2ND PLACE	\$200	2ND PLACE	\$200
3RD PLACE	\$300	3RD PLACE	\$100	3RD PLACE	\$100
4TH PLACE	\$200	4TH PLACE	\$75	4TH PLACE	\$75
5TH PLACE	\$100	5TH PLACE	\$50	5TH PLACE	\$50
6TH PLACE	\$75				
7TH PLACE	\$50				
WOMENS		WOMENS		WOMENS	
SHAWL DANCE		TRADITIONAL		SINGING CONTEST	
1ST PLACE	\$300	1ST PLACE	\$300	1ST PLACE	\$500
2ND PLACE	\$200	2ND PLACE	\$200	2ND PLACE	\$400
3RD PLACE	\$100	3RD PLACE	\$100	3RD PLACE	\$300
4TH PLACE	\$75	4TH PLACE	\$75	4TH PLACE	\$200
5TH PLACE	\$50	5TH PLACE	\$50	5TH PLACE	\$100
6TH PLACE	\$50			6TH PLACE	\$75
7TH PLACE	\$50			7TH PLACE	\$50
LITTLE BOYS (11-15 yrs.)		LITTLE GIRLS (11-15 yrs.)			
1ST PLACE	\$50	1ST PLACE	\$50		
2ND PLACE	\$35	2ND PLACE	\$35		
3RD PLACE	\$25	3RD PLACE	\$25		
4TH PLACE	\$25	4TH PLACE	\$25		
5TH PLACE	\$15	5TH PLACE	\$15		

REGISTRATION CLOSES SATURDAY  
AT 1:00 P.M. - NO EXCEPTIONS