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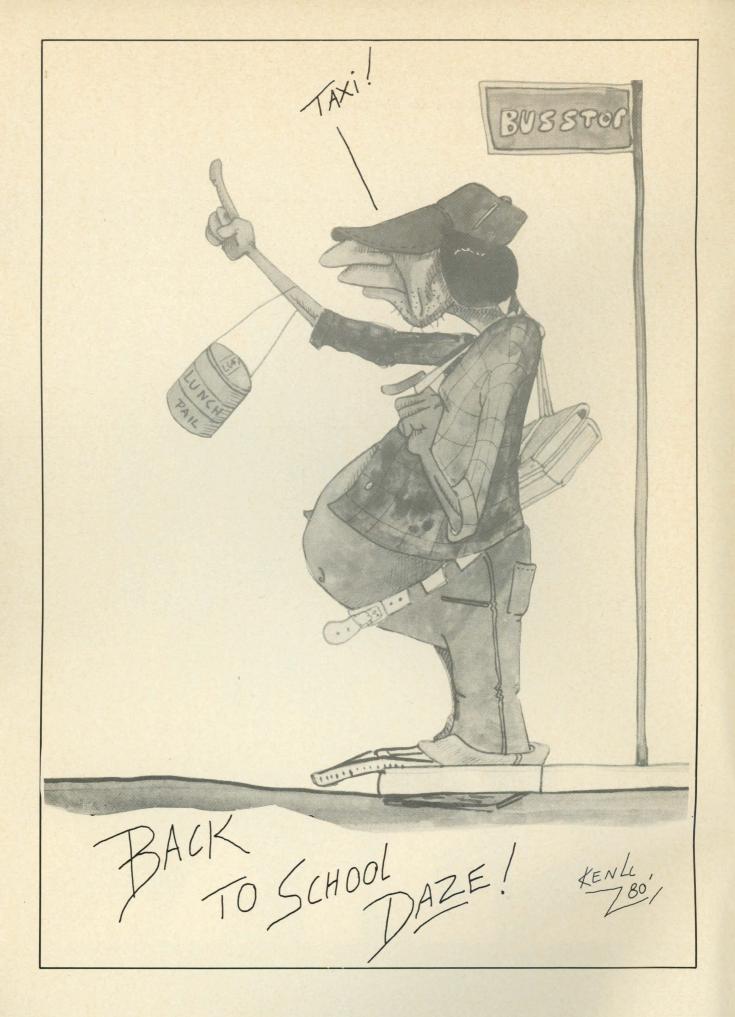
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Indian Status for Women

- From the STAR-PHOENIX

The idea that native women in Canada should be able to keep their status as Indians after marriage to non-Indians is one whose time has long since come.

The fact that both Canadian law and tradition in many Indian bands has prevented this has meant hardship for a good many Indian women, some of whom have waged a long fight to bring about change.

Indian men, they argue, have never faced the same situation under law, and that in itself is an affront in a country committed to equality of men and women.

So it's worthy of note that three bands — one in B.C. and two in the Yukon — have tossed out the old rule, taking advantage of an offer by federal Indian affairs officials last year to suspend the section of the Indian Act which took away Indian status after marriage to a non-Indian.

In addition, two Alberta bands successfully sought to have the "double-mother clause" of the act suspended. That section

deprives an Indian of status at 21 if that individual's mother and grandmother weren't status Indians before marriage.

Such moves have been heralded by some as a breakthrough, though in light of the fact that there are 559* Indian bands in Canada, it can be seen that there is still a long way to go.

And some practicalities are involved, as has been stressed in the past by both male and female band council representatives. The regulation, which was institued in the first place to prevent exploitation of special status accorded Indians, in a relationship between an Indian women and a non-Indian husband, is rooted in the mores of an era when equality of the sexes was given little priority, particularly in terms of property rights.

Thankfully, that era is gone for good. So it's fitting that the process of change has been launched officially in a handful of bands. That should point the way for the rest.

* EDITOR'S NOTE: There are 573 Chiefs in Canada.

NATIONAL

QUEBEC INDIANS TO UNITE AGAINST GOVERNMENT CONTROL

DUCHESNAY, QUEBEC (CP)

Quebec's Indian chiefs took the first step Thursday toward formation of a native advisory council to coordinate action in conflicts with the federal and Quebec government.

"In the light of recent and past occurrences on our territories we have vowed to take every measure possible to oppose the imposition of the various foreign jurisdictions over our rights and territories," said spokesman Melvin McKenzie, vice-president of the Algonquin council.

Asked how far they were prepared to go McKenzie said: "Not exactly to declaring war, but close to it."

He said the chiefs and their representatives have established an informal common front and will meet again to decide whether to formalize the arrangement.

McKenzie would not say when or where the next meetting would take place and refused to divulge what measures were decided at the three-day meeting.

Tensions between Quebec Indians and the provincial government came to a head this summer over the issue of salmon fishing rights, first at Restigouche where the Micmacs live, then along the north shore of the St. Lawrence where Montagnais bands fish.

The next confrontation is expected in the fall when Indian bands plan to assert their aboriginal hunting rights, disregarding Quebec game regulations.

McKenzie didn't want to discuss the issue of hunting rights saying only it is "very, very possible" hunting would spark the next confrontation between Quebec and the native population.

Albert Obomsawin, an Abenaki Indian from Odanak, said the fishing dispute at Restigouche was not raised at the gathering.

Although poor relations between Indians and the Quebec government have received wide publicity lately, McKenzie said Indian anger at the federal government followed cuts in funding to Indian bands is "about-equal."

Attending the meeting were representatives of the Abenaki, Algonquin, Attikamek, Cree, Huron, Micmac, Mohawk and Montagnais nations. Only the tiny Naskapi tribe was absent.

McKenzie said the Naskapi couldn't attend because they lacked the money to make the trip from their home in Schefferville on the Labrador border.

The meeting was held in the Duchesnay forestry school, belonging to the provincial department of energy and resources, because it was the cheapest place available, McKenzie explained.

Future meetings of the advisory body would be held on reserve lands, he added.

Quebec Indians were united in the Association of Indians of Quebec until 1976 when that organization broke up because of disagreements over the James Bay land settlement with the Crees.

The other tribes were upset that the Cree accepted \$225 million in return for giving up their aboriginal title to a vast area of northern Quebec.

The Naskapi eventually accepted the James Bay agreement as well, along with Inuit bands living farther north.

SIOUX FACING UNIQUE LAND, TREATY ISSUES

- by Marsha Erb STAR-PHOENIX

While other Indian bands across Canada pursue with vigor land claims relating to unfulfilled treaties, the Sioux in Saskatchewan are attempting to cope with some unique problems.

The Sioux or Dakota Indians signed no treaties with Canadian authorities but are now seeking to clarify their status and to correct some misconceptions that have been associated with their re-settlement in Manitoba and Saskatchewan well over a century ago.

The Dakota Association of Canada which represents the interests of the Sioux people on the four reserves in Saskatchewan and five in Manitoba is seeking a meeting with Indian Affairs Minister John Munro to build some new ground rules regarding the plight of the Sioux.

They are also exploring the possibility of becoming treaty Indians. At present the Sioux in Saskatchewan live on reserves granted outside of any negotiated treaties but because they are registered Indians share in the benefits provided by virtue of the Indian Act.

Central to the issues is the fact the Canadian authorities have always considered the Dakota bands as displaced American citizens and on that basis never negotiated treaties with them and rejected aboriginal claims to the territory.

Cy Standing former chief of the Wahpeton reserve near Prince Albert said recently that federal authorities reached this conclusion because the Dakotas moved into Saskatchewan and Manitoba from the United States in the 1860s.

However, he says recent research based on archeological work and documents in British and Canadian archives indicates the bands moved out of Canada in 1812 and traditionally wandered over what is now the Canadian-American border for more than 2,000 years.

Doug Elias, a researcher with the Dakota association, concludes that if the Canadian government can be re-educated as to the proper history of the Dakota people, the struggle for recognition of aboriginal rights could be significantly changed in favor of the Indian people.

Elias said such recognition could not only translate into the establishment of hunting and fishing rights beyond question, but also the ability of Indian nations in North America to trade freely and uninterrupted by national boundaries or the trappings of immigration authorities.

But the Sioux have other scores to settle too. They did not leave the Minnesota frontier in the 1860s with the wrath

of American authorities at their heels with their house entirely in order.

Treaties signed with the Americans before the Minnesota uprising have not been forgotten.

The most relevant to Saskatchewan Sioux, signed in 1851, has not been satisfied as far as Sioux here are concerned and the Dakota association has devoted time and energy to pursuing a just settlement on behalf of the descendants of the signatories now living in Canada.

The 1851 treaty in which roughly half of what is now the state of Minnesota was surrendered remains a live issue.

Elias said the claims the Sioux are making relate to unilateral cancellation of the treaty following the uprising. The Americans were later pursuaded to recognize the treaty but they passed legislation to exclude the Canadian Sioux from falling under it.

Elias said that under some of the terms of the treaty, the American government agreed to put \$1.6 million in trust with five per cent interest over a period of 50 years, which would have been until 1901. The Sioux were to receive the interest money but not the principle.

But the accruing interest payments ceased with the uprising of 1861-62. Since the U.S. had already held an inquiry and executed 38 Sioux found to be the instigators, it was assumed that all others were not implicated.

On that basis, the Sioux argue they are entitled to the remaining 40 years worth of outstanding interst payments relating to the period from 1861 to 1901.

Canadian Sioux are fighting for their share.

Elias said the Sioux have tapped "every legal angle" in the attempt to get the Americans to recognize the rights of the Sioux who fled to Canada. But now the Sioux must turn to political mechanisms to get the legislation changed.

The battle has been put on ice for the moment but Elias said it continues to be a live issue. He said the task now is to get the issue into the United States Congress.

Recognition of the rights of the Sioux living in Canada could also be an important addition to the case for aboriginal rights. Arguments for aboriginal rights also focus on the "North American" citizenship of the Indian people, he said.

PROVINCIAL

SPECIAL PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE VISITS SASKATCHEWAN

by Kenny Loon

"The present 'health' care system appears incapable of dealing with the ever-increasing symptoms of social breakdowns within Indian communities. To live a life that is totally out of one's own control is a source of constant stress, and eventually leads to the demoralization of an entire population. The Indian people have been forced into coerced dependence upon paternalistic and evershifting federal policy, and denied means of gaining a livelihood, and this situation now results in the manifestation of social and ill health now seen: alcohol and drug abuse, family breakdowns, suicide, accidents and violent deaths".

(NATIONAL INDIAN BROTHERHOOD)

Members of the special parliamentary committee on the disabled and the handicapped, toured different parts of the country in July, to have an inside look into the social conditions and problems presently existing on Indian reserves in Canada.

Although the committee could not possibly visit all the reserves in Canada, what they saw in Labrador; Frobisher Bay (NWT); Churchill, Manitoba; and in Saskatchewan, was enough to convince them that such poor conditions actually exist. Some effort has to be made to solve the problem.

In the committee's report, OBSTACLES, there are contained the following objectives designed to achieve for disabled persons:

Achievement of adequate income.

- Support for promotion of self-help efforts.
- Provisions of technical aids, and community support services such as attendant care and intervener services.
- Equal benefits and protection under law.
- Equal opportunity of access to public buildings, facilities and programs.
- Equal access to a full range of opportunities in employment, housing, education, transportation, recreation, communication and information.
- Provision of community support services to reduce or eliminate the need for institutional care.
- Improved quality of life for disabled persons who live in institutions.

Also, the following are recommendations which appear in Chapter 18 of the report:

- Establish a national advisory body on community services for disabled Indian persons.
- Expand the role of Friendship Centres for disabled native people.
- Consider transfer of Health Services to department of Indian Affairs.
- Establish data on problems of disabled Indian and Inuit people.
- Expand health profession opportunities for native people.
- Educate public servants on the needs of disabled native people.
- Support native representatives to international year committee.
- Increase financial support for national native alcohol abuse program.
- Ensure access to rehabilitation services for status.

Before heading back to Ottawa, the committee made their final stop at the Regina Indian Friendship Centre,





Photos (from top to bottom):

Members of the special parliamentary committee during the meeting with the staff of the Health and Social Services program of the FSI. (l-r): Neil Young, Therese Killens, David Smith, and Walter Dinsdale.

(I-r): Senator Edwin Pelletier, Valerie Wesaquate, and Henry Delorme.

(I-r): Clifford Wesaquate and Reynold Delorme.

Standing Buffalo Band Chief Melvin Isnana with two members of the committee.



(l-r): Henry Delorme; Ken Sparvier, FSI executive secretary; Aubrey Goforth, executive assistant.



Committee member Neil Young participating in the round dance.

David Smith, chairman of the committee, doing the round dance.



These young dancers stopped for a pose . . .

where they met with members of the Federation of Saskatchewan Indians's Health and Social Services Task Force. The meeting took place in the afternoon of July 14, 1981.

A special bus trip was arranged for the committee to visit and tour the Standing Buffalo Indian Reserve - just 45 miles north of Regina. Upon arrival at the Band office. we were informed that a band council meeting was in progress. So, we waited around for a few minutes. Band Chief Melvin Isnana was able to break away from his meeting to meet with the committee for half-an-hour. Chief Isnana briefly spoke on the reserve's economic and community developments, and of the health and services available to the band. Much to the committee's surprise. the health and social services on the reserve were guite inadequate. The nearest facility is 45 miles away to Regina.

During the meeting with this committee, at the Regina Friendship Centre, the Health and Social Services Task Force presented a report containing the following objectives:

- To familiarize the government of the health and social problems experienced by handicapped Indian people in Saskatchewan.
- To recommended changes in the existing delivery system so that it is more efficient in extending services to handicapped Indian people.
- To develop and implement new programs and initiatives that will enhance the quality of life for handicapped Indian people in the province.

In addition, according to the report, "Indian input into

non-Indian institutions is very limited or non-existent. The staff and management of institutions which deliver services to handicapped people are not Indians. Because of this, three solutions should be simultaneously implemented:

- That the Indian people should be represented to the boards of these institutions and provisions should be made to train Indian people to work within them.
- That the community health representative and public health nurse should be allowed to take a more active role in identifying the needs and care handicapped Indian persons need while they are living in institutions or in private homes.
- That some services for handicapped Indian people be implemented at the reserve level.

The report also stated that there were other problems facing handicapped Indian people who are living on and off reserves. Such problems are: failure of the federal government to identify adequate funding for programs; dual discrimination against handicapped Indian people by non-Indians because they are both Indian and handicapped; and inability to obtain meaningful employment. Furthermore, there is a lack of community support services such as daycare for single parents.

Now that the committee has had a first hand look at the social conditions and problems on reserves, they will be drafting, shortly, new recommendations to the parliament for review.

Prior to this trip, nearly all, if not all, members of the committee had never been on an Indian reserve before. It was quite an experience for them.



The Parliamentary Committee poses for a photo with Chief Melvin Isnana of the Standing Buffalo Reserve, in front of the Band Office. Ron Albert, third vice-president of the FSI, is on the far right.



PROFILE ON SOCIAL SERVICES

submitted by Valerie Wesaquate Social Services Co-ordinator

The purpose of the FSI's Health and Social Services Task Force is to examine the existing jurisdictional disputes in program delivery. It is also designed to provide comprehensive health and social policy for ratification by the Chiefs of Saskatchewan with the Policy Council of Health and Social Services Task Force which also consists of Chiefs for the implementation of treaty rights.

Within the Task Force as a social services co-ordinator, it is my responsibility to identify both community and individual needs in the areas of ADOPTION SERVICES, CHILD & YOUTH PROTECTION, CHILD CARE SERVICES, LEGAL COUNSEL, REHABILITATION SERVICES, ELDER CARE, INCOME SUPPORT, SPECIAL NEEDS, LOCAL AND CENTRALIZED SERVICES, AND DAYCARE SERVICES.

I'm also involved in other related areas such as conducting research, planning and development studies in specific areas of Indian Social Services, as well as conducting evaluative research of existing programs and any new programs initiated. In addition I'm involved in designing new programs and developing funding proposals for on-going and new programs in the area of Indian Services.

One of the priorities which I have set out at the present time is Daycare Services. In response to the requests made by the Pasqua and Peepeekesis Band, two proposals for Daycare Services have been submitmitted for review. We are now in the process of negotiating for funding for these programs. Within the urban centres it is easier to set up a Na-

tive Daycare Centre. At the Band level it is a bit harder with the regulations and policies that are set out. I believe with the determination of both of these Daycare committees and the Task Force, we can make a Daycare at the Band level become a reality.

In regards to Elder Care and the Handicapped, a brief report has been submitted to The Parliamentary Committee on the Disabled and Handicapped. Recommendations have been made to this Committee for improvements of living conditions for our Elderly Indian Handicapped and disabled persons in Saskatchewan. We are also in the process of developing a Multi-purpose Handicapped and Elders Centre. This centre would be involved in services such as:

- Improving communications with Health Centres and the C.H.R. program in the district to provide better Health Services to the Elderly and Handicapped on reserve.
- To provide transportation services to the elderly and the Handicapped persons needing Hospital or Health related Services.
- To provide a daily meal, five days a week to the elderly and handicapped persons on-reserves.
- To provide recreational activities.
- To provide laundry services (where needed) weekly.
- To improve communications with the community especially children and youth through consulting services implemented by the Elders within the multipurpose centre.
- · And other related services for the

benefit of the Indian Elderly and Handicapped in Saskatchewan.

Our recommendations will be followed up and we should be hearing from the Parliamentary Committee in the near future.

Our main priority is the Child Care services. It is felt that there are too many Indian children being adopted to non-Indian homes and have been lost. We are hoping to implement a Child Location Unit where the child may be taken care of until their family problems are solved.

We would like to see recruitment of foster homes at the Band level to decrease this level of Indian Child Adoption.

\$87,000 DISBURSED TO INDIAN ORGANIZATIONS BY INDIAN AFFAIRS

Owen A. Anderson, directorgeneral, Saskatchewan region, Indian and Inuit Affairs program has announced the signing of contribution agreements between his department and two Saskatchewan Indian organizations. Under the agreements, the Qu'Appelle Valley Indian Development Authority will receive \$60,000 to enable the organization to carry out a program of research activities and the Saskatchewan Cold Lake tar sands Indian Bands will receive \$27,000 with which to prepare an economic development feasibility study on the impact of the Cold Lake tar sands project to five Indian Bands in close proximity to the proposed project.

Contribution agreements are employed by the federal department to provide funding to Indian Bands, organizations, and in some instances, individuals. Increasingly in Saskatchewan region contribution agreements are being used to facilitate the autonomous objectives of Indian people as once funds are disbursed Indian Affairs no longer exerts decision making control over the money. It is therefore possible for Indian people to totally design and implement their own programs, only utilizing departmental expertise on an advisory basis in the design stage. A full accounting, however, of all funds must be made within 90 days of expiry of any agreement.

Traditionally, contribution agreements have been used for both capital and operational requirements, usually at the band level. Recently, with both the department and Indian people recognizing the inherent flexibility and strengths of contribution agreements, these agreements have increasingly been employed for both human and economic developmental purposes. The Qu'Appelle Valley Indian Development Authority, the Saskatchewan Indian Agriculture Program and Native Metals are strong examples of organizations who either are, or who have in the past, employed funds obtained through contribution agreements for developmental purposes.

The release of funds to the Qu'Appelle Valley Indian Development Authority will mean that the organization can engage the services of qualified research analysts to collect and analyse data pertinent to present and projected objectives of Qu'Appelle Valley Indian Development Authority. This will entail examination of government documents at both the federal and provincial level, along with studies of all geophysical technical reports relative to the Qu'Appelle Valley.

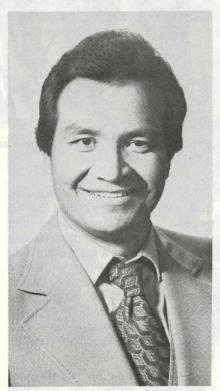
A strong concern of Qu'Appelle Valley Indian Development Authority is the Canada/Saskatchewan subsidiary agreement covering the alteration in water level and water way of the Qu'Appelle river. Qu'Appelle Valley Indian Development Authority board members will meet later this month to discuss the possible re-negotiation of that agreement. A summary report from the research analysts is expected in early September, with the final research and documentation study to be completed by the end of that month.

Under the department's contribution agreement with the Saskatchewan Cold Lake tar sands Indian bands the funds allocated will be utilized to hire a research consultant and two planners to prepare a report detailing the economic and employment potential of the Alberta project to the five Bands in the Meadow Lake district of north-

western Saskatchewan. Emphasis in the report will also include the social and environmental implications of the Cold Lake project to the various reserve communities.

SASKATCHEWAN INDIAN RECEIVES HONORARY LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP TO THE SASKATCHEWAN INSTITUTE OF AGROLOGISTS

Many individuals over the years have offered a great deal of their time and expertise toward the development of the agricultural industry. Alex Kennedy, assistant Manager of Operations for the Saskatchewan Indian Agriculture Program (SIAP), is such a person.



Alex Kennedy.

And, in recognition of his personal efforts, he has been awarded an honorary lifetime membership to the Saskatchewan Institute of Agrologists (SIA).

Mr. Kennedy was one of four desreving individuals and the only Canadian Indian to be presented this distinction at the SIA's annual convention in Saskatoon. The honor,

delivered by president of the institute, Mr. Tom Lawrence, commemorates him for his overall involvement in SIAP and recognizes the many valuable contributions he has made to the growth of Saskatchewan Indian Agriculture over the past ten years.

Alex Kennedy has been actively involved in the Saskatchewan Indian Agriculture Program since it was first struck up in 1971. At the time, the program consisted merely of a committee chaired by Mr. Kennedy and the initial intention was to take an inventory of the things available to Indian farmers and to establish a means of ensuring that they were accessible to these farmers. However, due much to the hard work and dedication of Alex Kennedy, this committee soon developed into a full scale government assistance program. Through his extensive involvement in federal negotiations in 1974, he became a prominent figure in the event which marked the actual birth of SIAP

The success of these negotiations ultimately led to Treasury Board approval of the program and the establishment of a Board of Directors, once again chaired by Alex Kennedy. He retired this chairmanship in 1978, but fortunately still remains an active participant and a valuable consultant to others involved in the program.

In short, Alex Kennedy was in the forefront throughout the entire developing years of SIAP and he greatly contributed to its successes through his enthusiastic participation — enthusiasm which he genuinely expressed when he accepted his plaque at the SIA annual convention.

"I humbly accept this lifetime membership for it has been my privilege to serve the Indian farmers of this province," said Kennedy to the many institute members in attendance. "However, I would like to share this honor with my wife Josephine, Dr. C.M. Williams of Saskatoon and Murdock Mackay of Prince Albert for they too dedicated many years to the development of SIAP. Through my present efforts in the coordination of public relations and communications, I will continue to be involved in Saskatchewan Agriculture. Thank you."

NORTH BATTLEFORD DISTRICT



Cree chiefs, Big Bear and Poundmaker. Big Bear died on Poundmaker Reserve and has a monument erected on the spot where he died. (photo credit: Manitoba Archives)

POUNDMAKER CENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS

by Brian Tootoosis

The legendary Chief Poundmaker died 150 years ago at Blackfoot crossing near Gleichen, Alberta. Chief Poundmaker was a Cree Indian and the adopted son of Chief Crowfoot of the Blackfoot confederacy. In his memory the people of the Poundmaker Reserve thought it would be most appropriate to hold the first annual pow-wow in remembrance of the late Cree leader.

Chief Poundmaker was involved in the signing of treaty number #6 at Fort Carlton, Saskatchewan, along with other Indian leaders. As leader of his tribe, he took the advise of his elders and established a reserve northwest of North Battleford, Saskatchewan, which is presently called the Poundmaker Band. The Chief had good leadership qualities and was admired by his people as a wise and sound communicator. Non-Indian people recognized him as a great orator. He also had other abilities in dealing with different situations that effected his tribe. For instance, he preferred talking peace instead of violence with other tribes or non-Indians, to avoid war and the disruption of community life.

The Poundmaker Centennial Celebrations started July 9, 1981, with a Treaty Day. Other ceremonies took place as the Band acknowledged and presented diplomas to the Grade 12 graduating class.

Roger Carter of the University of Saskatchewan, presented the first Poundmaker memorial scholarship to Jerry Okanee of the Thundechild Reserve. This scholarship was initiated by Eileen Bell, a former educator and resident of Cutknife, Saskatchewan, whose husband practised law in that community. The scholarship is open to any Treaty Indian student born in Saskatchewan. The student must complete the second year of a university education, within the province. Jerry, who has worked for the Thunderchild Reserve, is currently involved with the student body of the Indian Teacher Education Program at the University of Saskatchewan.

The award was handed over to Jerry Okanee by a direct descendant of Chief Poundmaker, Alma Favel.

The struggle for social, economic, resource and political rights for his people is still being carried out by the people of Saskatchewan, says FSI Chief Sol Sanderson.

The centennial celebration also had other dignitaries including the regional director-general of Indian



A female dancer . . . performing in the semi-finals.

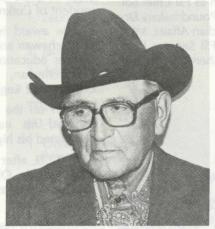
Affairs, Owen Anderson; and Cutknife MLA and highways minister, Bob Long; who brought greetings.

FSI Senator John Tootoosis of Poundmaker emphasized to the audience that this is Saskatchewan or Canada, but Poundmaker Indian land. The treaty, which was signed by Poundmaker and other Indian leaders, is a binding contract and the two parties must abide by the commitments that were made. The repatriation of the British North American Act would mean the loss of rights for the Indians.

The unveiling of the new plaque for the historic site was postponed due to the plaque not being ready on time.

Chief Poundmaker's remains were brought back to the reserve in 1967 from Alberta, at the request of the Band council and the people of the Poundmaker Reserve. There he lays in his final resting place on Cutknife Hill.

"Chief Poundmaker was a man of vision", says John Tootoosis. "He grew up to be a leader with the required qualifications. After he died there was no chosen leader for the Reserve for about 30 years, until 1920 . . . those days, people chose their leader with no opposition . . . In today's society, you have opposition parties in governments and that is why they are having strikes and labour disputes. In the old days you had respect for the elected leader of the tribe", concluded Tootoosis.



Senator John Tootoosis.

The federal and provincial funding agencies contributed to the reality of this special event and the people of the band also had fund-raising activities to offset the costs. Visitors and dancers came from Oregon, Wisconsin, Minnesota, North Dakota and from across Canada to attend the celebration.

The Poundmaker Band had an official opening of the new RCMP subdetachment to serve Little Pine and Poundmaker Reserves on a pilot project basis for one year.

FSI Chief Sol Sanderson, Chief Lawrence Weenie of Poundmaker, and Chief Casev Kennedy of Little Pine, were on hand to cut the ribbon. Superintendent Bob Head, in charge of the subdetachment, and assistant commissioner Bob Mills from the Regina Head Office, were also on hand representing the RCMP. This detachment will be manned by two special RCMP Indian constables.

"I think the people of my reserve will adjust to the new addition and these two reserves do need law and order", says Poundmaker Band Chief Lawrence Weenie. The people of the Poundmaker Reserve have some special thanks to give to the organizers of this celebration. The people who had the opportunity to attend had an enjoyable time.



Gavin Tootoosis with his daughter Corrine.

POUNDMAKER RESERVE COMMEMORATES ITS CENTENNIAL

by Archie King

POUNDMAKER — The three-day pow-wow marked the highlight of centennial activities carried out by this Indian reserve in their commemoration of the establishment of the reserve by its great leader Chief Poundmaker.

Earlier, annuity payments (treaty money) were made to band members.

During the afternoon dignitaries such as FSI Chief Sol Sanderson, Chief Lawrence Weenie of Poundmaker, Dr. Owen Anderson, regional director of Indian Affairs, MLA Bob Long, Cutknife/Lloydminister and FSI Senator John Tootoosis, addressed the many that gathered under the newly constructed 'big top'.



Pow-wow Big Top at Poundmaker Reserve.

On behalf of the federal department of Indian Affairs, Dr. Owen Anderson brought back a page of history on the great Indian leader, Poundmaker, while addressing the many Indian people who were in attendance.

Dr. Anderson urged the Indian people to move ahead, repeating what Chief Poundmaker had once said, 'We should never forget what happened, but we just can not sit by the side of the trail'.

In concluding his address, Dr. Owen Anderson presented a specially mounted sketch of Chief Poundmaker to the Poundmaker Indian Band.

In his address, FSI Chief Sol Sanderson stressed the significance of Chief Poundmaker's struggle for aboriginal rights for his people.

"While the struggles he went through were physical in his days, the struggles we are going through are the same but are more psychological today," said Sanderson.

Chief Lawrence Weenie gave special mention to such visiting dignitaries as Chief Casey Kennedy of Little Pine, Chief Rod Okemow of Luckyman, Wayne Ahenakew of FSI, Roger Carter of the University of Saskatchewan, and FSI Senator John Tootoosis.

POUNDMAKER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARDED

by Archie King

POUNDMAKER — Jerry Okanee, 24, of Thunderchild Indian reserve was awarded the first annual Poundmaker Memorial Scholarship by Alma Favel, great-great grand-daughter of Chief Poundmaker, during the centennial ceremonies held on this Indian reserve.

According to Roger Carter, representing the University of Saskatchewan, the scholarship is funded by a grant made possible by Mrs. Eileen Bell, a former resident of Cutknife.

The award is open to any treaty Indian born in Saskatchewan and has completed the second year of a teacher education program at either the University of Saskatchewan, Indian Federated College, or the University of Regina.

Born on the Thunderchild Indian reserve, Okanee received his early education on the reserve and completed his high school education in Saskatoon.

In 1979, after three or four years of employment in various fields, Okanee decided to enroll in the Indian Teachers Education Program at the University of Saskatchewan.

In the two years that he's worked towards a Bachelor of Education degree (B. of Ed.), Okanee has been given honorable mention for his studies. This has given him an inspiration to continue his hard work towards a Bachelor of Education degree.

Okanee's involvement in student activities includes secretary/treasurer of the student body and is currently a vice/president.

He played a major role in making a 30-minute tape on Indian Teaching as well as participating in Indian Education conferences.

CENTENNIAL POW-WOW PROVED SUCCESSFUL

by Archie King

POUNDMAKER — The three-day pow-wow attracting visitors and dancers from afar proved to be very successful, marking the highlight of Centennial activities sponsored by this Indian reserve.

About 200 dancers participated during the three-day pow-wow dancing competing for prize money as well as individual awards. A total of nine singing troupes participated as well, including Minnesota Singers (USA), High Noon, Little Pine, Two Nations, Onion Lake, North Battleford Indian and Metis Friendship Centre, Big Bear, Musquackees and Mosquito Jrs.

Dancers from the States, Northwest Territories, and neighbouring provinces were marked on a point system.

Following are the results from the three days of dancing competitions.

LITTLE GIRLS FANCY (8-12 years)

- 1. Suzette Bull
- 2. Shirley Ann Thunderchild
- 3. Sheralyne Thunderchild

LITTLE GIRLS TRADITIONAL (8-12 years)

- 1. Ramona Meanus (Warm Springs, Ore., USA)
- 2. Elizabeth Standingwater
- 3. Murial Thunderchild

TEEN GIRLS FANCY (13-16 years)

- 1. Lavina Colwash (Warm Springs, USA)
- 2. Ellen Colwash (USA)
- 3. Oneida Noon

TEEN GIRLS TRADITIONAL (13-16 years)

- 1. Doreen Day (Portage, Manitoba)
- 2. Sharon Pete
- 3. Georgette Paskemin

LADIES FANCY (16 years & over)

- 1. Tina Bull
- 2. Lillian Gadwa (Hobbema, Alberta)
- 3. Cory Roon (Mameo Beach)
- 4. Billy Jo Bresbo (Harlem, Montana, USA)

LADIES TRADITIONAL (16 years & over)

- 1. Ruth Bull
- Vera Kingbrid (Minnesota, USA)
- Amelia Colwash (Warm Springs, Ore., USA)
- 4. Annie Asangrey

LITTLE BOYS FANCY (8-12 years)

- 1. Brian Kingbrid (Minnesota, USA)
- 2. Randy Fourhorns
- 3. Merle Thunderchild

LITTLE BOYS TRADITIONAL (8-12 years)

- 1. Leon Thunderchild
- 2. James Standingwater Jr.
- 3. Adrian Sangrey

TEEN BOYS FANCY (13-16 years)

- 1. Orval Kingbrid (Minnesota, USA)
- 2. Melvin Thunderchild
- 3. Shannon Knight (Edmonton, Alberta)

TEEN BOYS TRADITIONAL (13-16 years)

- 1. Charlie Favel (Rocky Boy, Montana, USA)
- 2. Marvin Thunderchild
- 3. Jana Roon (Mameo Beach)

MENS FANCY (16 years & over)

- 1. Alvin Windyboy (Rocky Boy, Montana, USA)
- 2. Les Goforth
- 3. Willis Packineau (Tiven Buttes, North Dakota, USA)
- 4. Gerald Baptiste

MENS TRADITIONAL (16 years & over)

- 1. Dennis Francis (Winnipeg, Manitoba)
- 2. Mike Laliberty
- 3. Walter Bull
- George Goodstriker (Cardston, Alberta)



A male dancer.

Top drumming group were the High Noon Singers from the Thunder-child Indian reserve winning the Tom Tootoosis Memorial trophy plus \$1000 and a pendleton blanket from the Tootoosis family.

Also, the four pretty princesses competing for the Centennial Princess title were — Evelyn Baptiste, Celeste Tootoosis, Annette Semaganis and Alanna Tootoosis. The young princesses were chosen according to their tickets sales during the centennial activities. Topping all princesses was Alanna Tootoosis, daughter of Gordon and Irene Tootoosis.

The Centennial event concluded with draws for a color-T.V. won by Ken Finayson of North Battleford; cassette tape won by Emma Jackson of Little Pine and radio won by Rolande Gamble of Duck Lake.

Members of the planning powwow committee included — Gordon Tootoosis, president; Lawrence Weenie, vice-president; Glayds Favel, treasurer; Sharon Baptiste, secretary; and members, Irene Tootoosis, Violet Semaganis.

I am sure the next year's pow-wow will even be bigger and better.

IVAN AHENAKEW MEMORIAL CEREMONY

by Brian Tootoosis

The family of the late Ivan Ahenakew held a memorial ceremony in his remembrance at the Poundmaker First Annual Pow-wow in July 1981.

Ivan, who was employed by the

federal department of Indian Affairs for many years, did a great deal of community work for the Sandy Lake Reserve.

He is survived by his wife Lizette and his children Wayne Ahenakew, Maureen Merasty, Gloria Ledoux, Bev Ahenakew, Rhoda Ahenakew, Pat Fines, Beth Ahenakew, Alex Ahenakew, Joan Delorme, Ernie



Chief Lawrence Weenie dances with Lizette.



Lizette shaking hands with Oline Robinson.



Wayne Ahenakew with his mother Lizette.

Ahenakew and Adrian Ahenakew.

To the people of Saskatchewan, Ivan was known as a person who contributed to the progress and future growth of our people. Memorial services were also held for Leon (Doc) Ahenakew, 22, who died on April 19, 1980, on the Mistawasis Reserve.

MONTREAL LAKE HONORS CITIZEN

by Brian Tootoosis

Fastball, nail-driving, tea-boiling, bannock-making, bingo and casino were some of the activities that were part of the Montreal Lake Sports Days, July 10 to 12.

But of paramount interest, the Sports Days were kicked off when Fanny Roberts was honored citizen of the year at a banquet held on July 10.

Fanny has contributed her services throughout the years to the growth and development of the Reserve. The Montreal Lake band showed its appreciation by awarding her with a special recognition for being an outstanding band member. Others, including the Junior Volleyball and Senior Men's Basketball teams who won gold and bronze medals, respectively, at the FSI winter games back in April of this year, were also honored at the banquet.

FSI Chief Sol Sanderson, and Ron Albert and Ken Sparvier of the FSI



Fanny Roberts Citizen of the Year.

executive, also attended the banquet. Winston Wuttunee entertained with his music. Activities at the Sports Days included bike, foot and canoe races, horseshoe tournaments, bingo games and casinos for 'gamblers'. Several fastball teams were attracted by good money in the men's and women's fastball tournaments.

The people who participated in these activities had a good time. Listed below are the winners of the different events.

The Pepsi Colts of Prince Albert emerged as winners in the men's fastball tournament, capturing the \$1,000 prize. The James Smith Braves netted \$750 for second place, while the Fayant Construction team from File Hills area, placing third, took home \$500. The \$250 prize went to Sandy Lake for their fourth place finish.

In women's fastball, the La Ronge Angels won \$500 for first prize, while Montreal Lake took the \$300 prize for second place.

In canoe racing, Amelia Bird and Eileen Laliberti, from Montreal Lake Band. won the women's division, while Francois Bird and Edgar



Sol Sanderson and his wife Carole receiving a gift from Roy Bird, Chief of the Montreal Lake Band.

from Montreal Lake emerged winners in the men's division.

Thomas Beatty and Alfred Nelson from Timber Bay won the doubles horseshoe tournament while a fellow who registered as "Buster",

from Sandy Lake, won the singles.

Chief Roy Bird would like to express appreciation to the FSI executive and to Emil Korchinski of Indian Affairs for attending the banquet.



Winston Wuttunee entertaining at the banquet.



Students and teachers.

ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS MARK END OF SCHOOL

by Archie King

SAULTEAUX — Presentations made for best attendance and athletics, marked the end of the school term for the elementary school situated on this Indian reserve.

Educators, Lorraine Cope and Isabelle Coates presented awards including best attendance and athletics to the following students:

BEST ATTENDANCE — **Kindergarten**; Brenda Night and Sheldon Moccasin.

GRADE 1-2: Wesley Gopher and Leonard Moccasin.

GRADE 3-6: Stanley Gopher and Clarence Moccasin.

The RCMP award for best attendance to the top girl and boy were Gail Night and Stanley Gopher. Special Constable Emma Kahtawhat representing the RCMP was unavailable for the presentation.

TRACK AND FIELD – Kindergarten; Cheryl Bush, Lee Moccasin, Mavis Gopher, Natalie Moccasin, Sheldon Moccasin, Brenda Night.

GRADE 1-2: Diane Gopher, Patricia Moccasin, Wesley Gopher.

GRADE 3-6: Noella Moccasin, Elvis Gopher, Sharon Night, Stanley Gopher.

According to Eliza Moccasin, guidance counsellor, the award

presentations marked the end of school for the youngsters and only the final report card pick-up would officially end the school term.

Later a weiner roast held at a nearby lake was enjoyed by the many youngsters who fought for room in the school buses.

RED PHEASANT SCHOOL HOLD AWARDS DAY

by Archie King

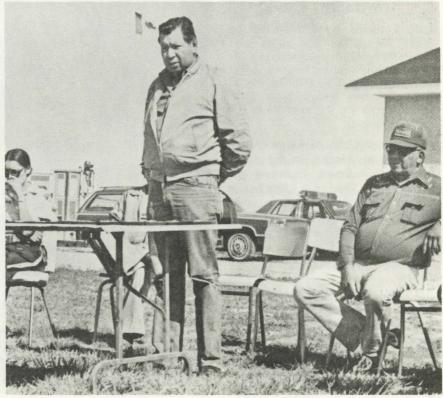
RED PHEASANT — Special honors were bestowed on some of the young students during the presentations including achievement, attendance, and language awards marking the end of another school year for the Junior High School situated on this Indian reserve.

In his opening address, Chief Harry Nicotine recalled his early years spent attending school, both on the reserve and residential school. Reflecting upon the lack of school transportation, Chief Nicotine mentioned that students had to walk many miles to school, carrying their lunch-boxes.

In congratulating the deserving students, Chief Nicotine urged the remaining students to try harder and maybe next year it will be their turn.

Teachers including principal, Ken Vanderput, Art Huart, Kim Kingwell, Shelly Hilst Tyor, Lorraine Bugler, Jean Wuttunee, and Emella Baptiste presented the various awards. Some of the deserving students included the following:

GRADE 1: Achievement - Ivor



Chief Harry Nicotine addresses students at Red Pheasant.

Wapass; Attendance – Ivor Wapass, Quinton Wapass.

GRADE 2: Achievement – Michelle Nicotine; Attendance – Glen Bugler, Michelle Nicotine.

GRADE 3: Achievement – Lionel Brabant; Attendance – Calvin Nicotine; Cree Language – Lester Nicotine.

GRADE 4: Achievement — Emma Bugler; Attendance — Roxanne Keeskotagan; Cree Language — Deanna Bugler.

GRADE 5: Achievement – Edie Wapass; Attendance – Edie Wapass; Cree Language – Edie Wapass.

GRADE 6: Achievement — Eunice Wuttunee; Attendance — Eunice Wuttunee; Cree Language — Andrea Nicotine.

GRADE 7: Achievement — Darlene Keeskotagan; Attendance — Marguerite Nicotine; Cree Language — Shelly Wapass.

GRADE 8: Achievement — Virginia Nicotine; Attendance — Virginia Nicotine; Cree Language — Annette Benson.

GRADE 9: Achievement – Rose Whitstone; Attendance – Rose Whitstone; Cree Language – Theresa Moosuk.

The annual award by the local RCMP is presented to the top student of the year in honor of Special Constable Emma Kahtawhat.

Closing remarks by the departing teachers wished a safe summer.

SWEETGRASS JUNIOR HIGH GRADUATION

by Archie King

(SWEETGRASS) — In addressing the Grade nine graduates, former educator John Stobbe, urged the students to set their goals, to practise self-discipline and to never give up.

Grades seven and eight classes were also honored.

To add his support, Chief Gordon Albert said, "I hope you set your goals in what you want to be when you leave here and I hope you never look back but keep going."

A total of five Grade nine students including Donalda Adams, Robert Daniels, Rocky Spyglass, Carol

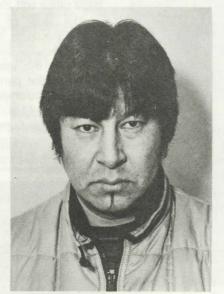
Paskimin and Brian Fineday were bestowed with special recognition.

On the same program other presentations included best attendance, highest achievement, most improved student, and best all around student.

Doners of the various individual awards included the Kathy Swalm, the Wendy Whitecalf, and the Rick Hemmingson trophies which were awarded to students for best attendance; the Judy Bear, Marvea Albert, and the Floyd Pooyak trophies awarded to students for achievement; the Special Constable Emma Kaytawhat (RCMP) trophy to the most improved student; and the Chief Gordon Albert trophy for top student.

Students who received awards were Mark Albert, Eunice Spyglass, and Rocky Spyglass for best attendance; Delilah Blackstar, Norma Paskimin, Rocky Spyglass for highest achievement; Brian Fineday for the most improved student; and Carol Paskimin for the best all around student.

John Stobbe urged the members of the graduating class to continue with their education. He also urged the students to practise self-discipline in reaching their goals.



Chief Gordon Albert.

Band Chief Gordon Albert congratulated the Grade eight and nine students for their achievements. He informed them of how proud everyone (including their parents and the band council) is to see them achieve this goal.

"I hope you set your goals in what you want to be when you leave here and I hope you never look back", Albert told the students.

Albert concluded his address by emphasizing to the students that nothing is impossible "... when you put your minds to it".

Congratulatory words were also passed on by educators Kathy Swalm and Rick Hemmingson.

Replying to all these words of praise were students Lenora Johnstone and Rocky Spyglass, the latter bringing the house down with his words of humor directed towards the teachers.

Concluding the momentous event, Floyd-Pooyak, who recently released a country single, entertained by singing songs of his own composition.

PERSON PROFILE

by Archie King

One of Saskatchewan's talented Indian singers, who hails from the Sweetgrass reserve, has released a single in the field of country and western music.

Floyd Pooyak started singing and composing his own songs at the age of 17 and has continued singing at various Indian talent shows and functions.

Urged by his lovely wife, Lenora, he travelled to a recording studio in Vancouver, B.C., and made a recording of his own compositions of 'I'm Going To Stop Chasing You', and 'Even You Belong To Someone Else'.

After getting exposure from the surrounding radio stations in the area, Floyd received some encouraging response form the turntables and from record sales.

"It is a long wait for someone who is trying to make it in the field of music whether the public will accept your record," said Pooyak.

With the release of his single, Pooyak is sure to emerge as one of Saskatchewan's top Indian artists and will be ranked along with other artists including Buffy Saint Maire, Ivan McNab, Winston Wuttunee, and Lawrence Joseph.

R.C.M.P. SUB-DETACHMENT LOCATED ON INDIAN RESERVE

by Archie King

PEHTOKAHANOPEWIN — The first of any RCMP subdetachment to be located on a Indian reserve was offically open at the Indian controlled school attended by Poundmaker and Little Pine, during the centennial celebrations of the Poundmaker Indian reserve.

North Battleford RCMP Sub-division Superintendent Bob Head said the project had been developed in consultation with the Federation of Saskatchewan Indians, the department of Indian Affairs, the office of the attorney-general, Poundmaker and Little Pine Indian bands, and the RCMP.

The project will be assessed later in the year as to its effectiveness and should it prove successful, may be instituted on other reserves in the province and country added superintendent Head.

It is the first of a new style policing in Canada stated the superintendent during the official opening ceremonies.

RCMP assistant commissioner Bob Mills, on hand from Regina, described the event as 'an historic day for the two Indian reserves and the RCMP'.

Two RCMP officers, Constable Brian Bellegarde and Constable Ernie Cameron will live and work on the Indian reserves, situated about 40 miles west of North Battleford.

Both are Indian Special Constables, and will concentrate their policing efforts on more crime prevention than after-the-fact work.

A small trailer-cabin complete with limited office space and a short term lock up facility, will function as the sub-detachment headquarters.

CHIEF TAYLOR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION

by Archie King

ONION LAKE — In his address to the graduates of the Chief Taylor High School, Don Fiest said, "yesterday, you had a dream, today that dream is a reality, tomorrow, look into the future, you'll have your vision."

Earlier, a total of four Grade 12 graduates including Darlene Cannepotatoe, Beverley Carter, Terry Cardinal and Dean Whitstone were honored during a banquet held at Chief Taylor High School.

After spending a total of 11 years on the Indian reserve, the former principal returned for a visit to address the evening's gathering of graduates, parents, and friends.

Following his opening remarks Fiest said that the late Terry Fox also had a dream of running across the country to raise money for cancer, but we know he didn't make it but in our hearts we felt that Terry had finished his run and gave it his 'all', that is what we ask of you to give it your 'all'.

The former educator who witnessed the graduation of students that were youngsters during his stay, said,



Keynote speaker, Don Feist.

"Choose a goal or vocation in life that is right and good. If it is right, you are on the right path to a good vocation. If it is good you are helping yourself and others."

"Choose a vocation you are going to enjoy. If you go into some vocation that is not enjoyable for you, you will make a mess of it, so try to choose something you really like."

"Choose a vocation that you can achieve for there are many vocations in life that you are capable of achieving. Once you have chosen your vocation strife to follow it as well as you can, have faith in the people around you. Have faith in the world, have hope and a sense of humor," said Fiest.

Earlier, congratulatory messages were delivered by Gordon Carter, education co-ordinator, and Chief Pat Dillion extending their full support to the graduates in quest of their vocations and said that the door of the band office will always be open for them.

The duo of Darlene Cannepotatoe and Dean Whitstone, who read the last wills and testaments of each graduate brought chuckles from the crowd. In delivering the valedictory address, Beverly Carter gave praise to the parents and educators for their valuable time spent to make this day a memorable one.

To conclude the memorable evening, Chief Pat Dillion presented certificates to the graduates.

Indian vocalist Lawrence Joseph and company provided music for the dance which followed.



Chief Pat Dillon presents certificate to a graduate . . .

MOOSOMIN JUNIOR HIGH HONOR **STUDENTS**

by Archie King

MOOSOMIN - A number of awards were presented by teachers to its deserving students during the year-end school event held at this Indian reserve school.

Teachers at the school included Helen Kahpeavsewat. (nursery) - Tony Gaston, (Grade kindergarten) - Lucy Howse, (Grade 1) - May DeCoste, (Grade 2) - judy Woulders, (Grade 3) – Rosa Labo, (Grade 4) – Gary Vermette, (Grade 6) – Bruce Langhorse, (Grade 7-8) – and Phillip Bablish, (principal - Grade 9).

Following are the various awards presented to students:

ATTENDANCE - Nursery: Shaun Lightfoot and Deneida Osecap - Kindergarten: Cory Swiftwolfe and Sheldon Kahpeaysewat - Grade 1: Wilma Moccasin and Jonas Kahpeaysewat - Grade 2: Jason Kahpeaysewat and Rhonda Moccasin - Grade 3: Jennifer Swiftwolfe and Denise Kahpeaysewat - Grade 4: Wanda Moccasin, Annette Kahpeaysewat and Marlene Bigears - Grade 5: Edna Bigears and Archie King - Grade 6: Nellie Kahpeaysewat and Paul Kahpeaysewat - Grade 7: Bruce Kahpeaysewat, Cindy Lore and Shirley Lightfoot - Grade 8: Sally Wright and Kevin Kahpeaysewat - Grade 9: Cecil Kahpeaysewat and Sherry Bird.

ACHIEVEMENT - Nursery: Venessa Moccasin and Preston Weenie - Kingergarten: Sheldon Kahpeaysewat and Randall Osecap - Grade 1: Jeffery Osecap, Cindy Osecap and Peggy Pewapisconias - Grade 2: Norma Kahpeaysewat, Sharlene Moccasin and Arlene Mooswa -Grade 3: Shelley Wright and Priscilla Pewapisconais -Grade 4: Cora Moosomin and Marlene Bigears - Grade 5: Edna Bigears and Archie King - Grade 6: Paul Kahpeaysewat and Cheryl Kahpeaysewat - Grade 7: Melvin Moccasin and Bruce Kahpeaysewat - Grade 8: Warren Moccasin and Sally Wright - Grade 9: Sherry Bird and Cecil Kahpeaysewat.

CREE LANGUAGE - Kindergarten: Randall Osecap and Shelly Pewapisconais - Grade 1: Lennox Moosomin and Cindy Osecap - Grade 2: Jason Kahpeaysewat, Bernaleen Moosowa and Gail Swiftwolfe - Grade 3: Curtis Kahpeaysewat, Lynn Myo and Goone Lightfoot -Grade 4: Brian Osecap, Jackie Swiftwolfe - Grade 5: Elliot Kahpeaysewat and Nova Mooswa - Grade 6: Sidney Kahpeaysewat and Veronica Frenchman.

TRACK AND FIELD AT MOOSOMIN - 6 years and under: Cindy Osecap and Edgar Wright - 7 years: Brenda King and Derek Kahpeaysewat - 8 years: Sharlene Moccasin and Jason Dillon — 9 years: Annette Kahpeaysewat and Wesley Carter — 10 years: Shelly Wright and Eugene Mooswa - 11 and 12 years: Cheryl Kahpeaysewat and Archie Wright - 13 and 14 years: Jackie Swiftwolfe and August Wright - 15, 16, and 17 years: Marvis Wright and Glen Myo.

DISTRICT TRACK MEET AT PEHTOKAHANOPEWIN - 6 years and under: Cindy Osecap (gold) and Wilma Moccasin - 7 years: (boys) Jonas Kahpeaysewat (silver) -8 years: (boys) Leroy Wright (silver) — 9 years: (boys) Greg Louis (bronze) - 10 years (girls) Shelly Wright (silver) - 11

and 12 years: (boys) Archie Wright (bronze) - 15 years and up (girls) Marvis Wright (bronze).

ATHLETICS - Cindy Lou Fiddler and Trevor Kahpeaysewat (volleyball) Sherry Bird and Glen Myo (basketball).

TOP ATHLETE - Sally Wright and Glen Myo.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION - Lennox Moosomin, Derek Kahpeaysewat, Levi Lightfoot, and Theresa Kahpeaysewat.

INDUSTRIAL ARTS - Grade 7, 8 and 9: Sherry Bird (Home Economics) - Grade 7, 8 and 9: Clayton Swiftwolfe (Woodwork).

RCMP STUDENT TROPHY - Sally Wright and Warren Moccasin.

PROFICIENCY AWARD - Sally Wright.

THUNDERCHILD HONORS STUDENTS

by Archie King

THUNDERCHILD - Students attending schools at Thunderchild, Turtleford and Livelong were given special recognition during the year-end school awards sponsored by this Indian reserve.



Chief Andrew Paddy presents an award of merit.

Teachers from the three schools attending the awards night included - Suzie Lister, Marelyn Blakeney, Adele Pilling and Wes Dombrowski, principal, from Livelong; Diane Bombrowski and Barry Milne, vice-principal, from Turtleford and Susan Wapass, Lorraine Hawkins, Judy Okanee, David Ben, Robert Lindsay and Agnes Wapass from the local Indian community.



Honor students and guests gather for a group picture.

Head table guests included Chief Andrew Paddy, elder Edward Okanee, Gordon Thunderchild, and Ken Okanee and Jack Funk, district superintendent of schools.

Addressing the students, parents and teachers, Jack Funk said, that in today's world one must be prepared with a high standard of education in order to survive. He also gave special praise to the deserving students.

Following the address individual awards presented by Grade teachers included the following:

MOST IMPROVED — Kindergarten: Vicki Thunderchild — Nursery: Jason Wapass — Grade 1: Derek Awasis — Grade 2: Kenny Okanee — Grade 3: Leon Thunderchild — Grade 4: Yvette Scarlett — Grade 5: Johnathon Paskimin — Grade 6: Merle Thunderchild — Grade 7: Karen Jimmy.

BEST ATTENDANCE — Nursery: Ian Sunchild — Kindergarten: Laura Hawkins — Grade 1: Isodore Horse — Grade 2: Kenny Okanee — Grade 3: Lisa Hawkins — Grade 4: Milton Sunchild — Grade 5: David Gowans — Grade 6: Manford Jack — Grade 7: Lois Wapass — Grade 8: Melvin Thunderchild — Grade 9: Loretta Wapass — Grade 10: Marvin Thunderchild.

HIGHEST ACADEMIC — Grade 1: Florence Wapass — Grade 2: Crystal Sunchild — Grade 3: Lisa Hawkins and Bonita Paddy — Grade 4: Arlie Jimmy — Grade 5: David Gowans — Grade 6: Manford Jack — Grade 7: Delbert Wapass — Grade 8: Kenny Meetoos — Grade 9: Loretta Wapass — Grade 10: Marvin Thunderchild.

Students attending the Livelong school included the following:

BEST ATTENDANCE - Grade 1: Rosalien Horse - Grade

2: Lorraine Thunderchild — Grade 3: Joel Keenatch — Grade 5: Dallas Noon — Grade 6: Laverna Thunderchild — Grade 7: Carma Jimmy — Grade 8: Ryan Noon.

MOST IMPROVED — David Armstrong — Grade 6: Jackie Thunderchild — Grade 8: Verna Thunderchild.

HIGHEST ACADEMIC — Grade 1: Rosalien Horse — Grade 2: Lorraine Thunderchild — Grade 3: Joel Keenatch — Grade 5: Dallas Noon — Grade 6: Arnold Noon — Grade 7: Loretta Thunderchild — Grade 8: Ryan Noon.

Students attending the Turtleford school included the following:

BEST ATTENDANCE — Grade 1: Clayton Nicotine — Grade 2: Michelle Thunderchild — Grade 3: Penny Weekusk — Grade 4: Trevor Angus was also awarded the most improved and highest academic — Grade 5: Tim Weekusk — Grade 6: Crystal Weekusk — Grade 7: Leonne Angus — Grade 8: Cheryl Thunderchild — Grade 9: Sunday Weekusk — Grade 10: Winston Weekusk Jr. — Grade 11: Karen Okanee.

MOST IMPROVED — Grade 1: Jennifer Wapass — Grade 2: Shawn Wapass — Grade 3: Melinda Paddy — Grade 6: Lorenda Thunderchild — Grade 11: Elaine Standingwater.

HIGHEST ACADEMIC – Grade 2: Michelle Thunderchild – Grade 3: Leona Snakeskin – Grade 5: Mario Snakeskin – Grade 6: Kelly Okanee – Grade 7: Leonne Angus – Grade 9: Mark Weekusk – Grade 10: Winston Weekusk Jr. – Grade 11: Karen Okanee.

Special recognition was given to Linda Okanee the only Grade 12 graduate from the Indian community.

PRINCE ALBERT DISTRICT

STURGEON LAKE GRADUATION

by Ruth Ahenakew

The education system on the Sturgeon Lake reserve recorded a milestone on May 22, 1981 by graduating four young people.

The ceremonies took place in the gymnasium with about 150 people in attendance. Elders, parents, brothers, sisters, friends and relatives as well as special guests were there to share in the festivities.

Wesley Daniels, education co-ordinator, was the master of ceremonies. He opened the evening directing his words to the success of the school. He stated that "the people of the reserve have done in five years what Indian Affairs couldn't do in 100 years."

Elder Pat Ermine said grace and the opening prayer.

Rick Clays, former principle and special guest, proposed the toast to the graduates.

Rick Sawa, principal of the high school, presented the graduates with their diplomas and pins.

The graduates were Gwen Daniels, Darlene Charles, Glen Halkett and Orville Longjohn.

Chief Henry Daniels presented plaques to the graduates on behalf of the people of Sturgeon Lake Band.

Wesley Daniels was also presented a plaque by the cheif in recognition of outstanding dedicated service in the field of education for the benefit of the Sturgeon Lake Band.

The graduates presented Jackie Adams with a gift in appreciation of her work in co-ordinating the graduation activities.

Each of the graduates spoke and thanked everyone who helped them on their way to accomplishing their goal of completing their Grade

The candle ceremony followed with the graduates presenting a lit candle to the next member of the family expected to graduate.

RCMP Wayne Johnstone, representing the RCMP detachment at Prince Albert, gave a plaque to Chief Henry Daniels to hang in the school as a permanent memento.

Special guest speaker for the occasion was Jim Roberts. He spoke to the graduates on their responsibilities as band members and as young educated Indians in supporting the reserve politically, socially and economically.

He urged them to use their education wisely by supporting the elected leader to strengthen the band and Indian government.



Sturgeon Lake grads (I-r): Glen Halkett, Gwen Daniels, Darlene Charles, and Orville Longiohn.

He said, "education is a growing process throughout life. Our best resources are people. We must get together and work for the common benefit of our band. We have many examples of people from our own reserve who have left to get an education and are known nationally for their endeavours and achievments".

He further urged parents, leaders and people of the band to get behind these young people and support them in whatever their goals.

Chief Henry Daniels spoke to the parents and acknowledged them for their efforts. He thanked the band councillors and their wives for the work done on behalf of the band.

The band concillors presented the school committee members with plaques. The school committee members honored were: Allan Longjohn, Mary Daniels, Florence Naytowhow, Mary Rose Longjohn, Irene Ermine, Cecil Daniels and Jacob Felix.

The ceremonies were followed by a dance with Lawrence Joseph and his band providing the entertainment.

PRINCE ALBERT URBAN INDIAN GRADUATION SUPPER

by Ruth Ahenakew

Floyd Ballantyne of the Peter Ballantyne Band was the recipient of the first John R. McLeod Bursary. The Bursary was presented to Floyd at a special supper held at Mac's Cafe in Prince Albert.

SORTI, in conjunction with Indian Affairs Boarding Home Program, decided to honor the ten graduates from various bands who completed their Grade 12 at St. Mary's High School.

Graduating from St. Mary's were: Sheila Roberts (Sturgeon Lake Band), Celine Seyazie (Black Lake), Yvonne Seyazie (Black Lake), Floyd Ballantyne (Pelican Narrows), Pearl Moosehunter (Sturgeon Lake Band), Cory Lerat (Cowessess), Shirley Morin (Peter Ballantyne), Vera Morin (Peter Ballantyne), and Janice Ermine (Sturgeon Lake Band).

The master of ceremonies was Wayne Kemp, education counsellor, who presented the grads with pen sets and cards.

Ruth Ahenakew, from the SORTI program, spoke on the memorial bursary and why it was named after the late John R. McLeod.

The widow of the late John R. McLeod, Mrs. Ida McLeod, presented the award to Floyd.

With tears in her eyes as she spoke to the graduates, she described how John believed in Indian education and how as young educated Indians "they must help their people with the tools they have learned".

Floyd Ballantyne is 19 years old and was awarded the bursary because of excellence in participation and academic achievements. He plans to continue his studies at the University of Saskatchewan.

In loving memory of my dear sister-in-law, Marilyn Jean Issac, who died on January 11, 1981.

It seems like such a short time ago,
We shared her hopes and fears.
Looking back on days gone by,
We've nothing left but tears.

The cards upon the little stand,

Were meant to bring relief from sadness,

Although they just remind us how,

We shared her every gladness.

She had so many hopes and dreams, She wanted to come true. Alas the hands of time have stopped, Her days of life are through.

It makes me wonder if there is a God, Such as I've been told. For if there is, then why is He, So bitter, cruel and cold?

He took from us, the one we loved, and left us sorrow and pain. But in the end, she accepted Him, His love her heart did gain.

We cherish all our memories of,

The way she used to be.

And in our hearts, we're happy that,

With Him her soul walks free.

G. M. Perkins



SASKATOON DISTRICT

STARR APPOINTED DISTRICT MANAGER

by Gloria Ledoux

The Saskatoon District Chiefs were unanimously in favour of the Department of Indian Affairs' announcement of the appointment of Cliff Starr as District Manager for the Saskatoon District office. He succeeds Bert McKenzie, who accepted a lateral transfer to New Brunswick in late December of 1980.

Starr has a great deal of experience in working with both Indian and non-Indian people. In his address to the Saskatoon District Chiefs, Starr stated that he felt both fortunate and pleased to be selected from among approximately 90 applicants (with 16 candidates being interviewed for the position).

He stated, "I am prepared to do all I can to assist the bands and I'm willing to give as much support as possible. Being with the Federation of Saskatchewan Indians (FSI) for 10 years, I have a good idea where bands want to go and how to get there. I am willing to assist however I can for bands to achieve goals they have set for themselves."

A member of the Starblanket band, Cliff graduated from the Prince Albert Collegiate Institute in 1964. He then worked as a Radiological Technician until 1971, at which time he joined the Federation of Saskatchewan Indians as Director of Communications.

As Director he was responsible for the newspaper and for radio programming, as well as for the communications' fieldworkers. In September of 1973, Starr was appointed Executive Director for the FSI, the highest non-elective position within the organization.

In 1977 he was elected 3rd vicepresident of the FSI, by acclamation. He was also an executive assistant to Chief Sol Sanderson for two years, during which time he was involved with the Tier 1 (consisting of the FSI and



Saskatoon District Chiefs meeting.

Cliff Starr, Saskatoon District Manager.

the Provincial government) negotiations for funding. In addition to his involvement with the Federated College in Regina, Cliff was active with the Indian Probation Program.

He was also active as president of the Prince Albert Urban Indian Association, president of the Prince Albert Friendship Centre, and president of the Saskatchewan Association of Friendship Centres.

Cliff, his wife lona, their eightyear-old son, Waverly, and fouryear-old daughter, Kim, reside in Prince Albert. He has no immediate plans to move to Saskatoon since he will be on probation for twelve months. Starr has certainly proven himself to be a leader and will always fight for the betterment of the Indian people. He began working out of the Saskatoon District office on Monday July 6th.

NEWS FROM BEARDY'S BAND

by Gloria Ledoux

Beardy's and Okemasis held their annual awards night for the school year 1980-81 on Friday, June 19th at the band hall. This occasion also marked the kindergarten graduation exercises. Introductory remarks were made by education coordinator Jake Mike, also the master of ceremonies for the evening. These were followed by guest speaker Chief Ralph Gardipy.

The Kindergarten class then entertained the guests with a song and dance to 'Paper Dolls', 'Parade of Colors', and 'Let's Dance'.

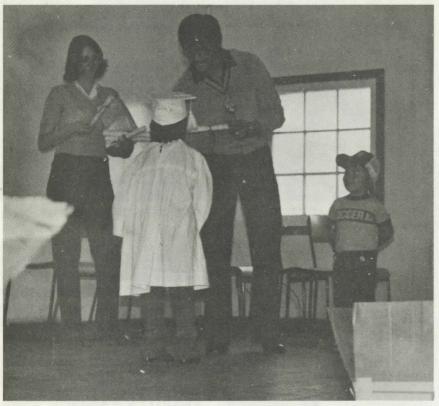
The introduction of the graduates and presentation of scrolls to Leon Gamble, Greg Cameron, Ronald Gardipy, Clifton Mike, Benjamin Ballentyne, Delbert Paintednose, Heather Gamble, Andrea Michael, and Crystal Sutherland, followed.

Several individual awards were also presented:

DAY SCHOOL STUDENTS (Nursery to Grade 3). Nursery — Harley Yahyahkeekoot (best attendance). Kindergarten — Leon Gamble (best attendance).

- Joanne Cameron (best attendance); Chanze Gamble (proficiency); Lori Ann Seeseequasis (most improved).

Division II - Lianne Mike (best attendance and proficiency); Lionel Sutherland (most improved).



Beardy's Kindergarten grads, with Chief Ralph Gardipy presenting scrolls.

CREE LANGUAGE PROGRAM: Twilah Smallchild (Grade 3); Jennifer Gamble (Grade 2); and Lori Ann Gamble (Grade 1).

DIVISION I: Grade 3 — Twilah Smallchild (best attendance and proficiency). Grade 2 — Janice Gardipy (best attendance); Crystal Smallchild (most improved); Shannon Nicotine (proficiency). Grade 1 — Shelley Yahyahkeekoot (best attendance); Clifton Okemaysim (most improved); Bryce Michael (proficiency).

DUCK LAKE SCHOOL BLOCK: Clarissa Cameron (best attendance); Lorne Gardypie (most improved); Gene Gamble (proficiency); Jason Eyahpaise (proficiency). A tie existed between Gene Gamble and Jason Eyahpaise; Both, therefore, received the proficiency award.

ROSTHERN ELEMENTARY: Division I

ROSTHERN HIGH SCHOOL: Division III — Marion Gamble (best attendance); Lorraine Cheekinew (most improved); Lucille Esperance (proficiency). Division IV — Shane Gamble (recognition award); Lucille Esperance (leadership award).

STOBART ELEMENTARY: Grade 1A Jason Cameron (best attendance and proficiency); Sheryl Mandes (most improved). Grade 1B - Jeremy Seeseequasis (best attendance); Connie Paintednose (most improved); Iris Gamble (proficiency). Grade 2 -Mandes Raymond attendance); Marcia Seeseguasis (most improved); Trish Greyeyes (proficiency). Grade 3: Eugene Arcand (best attendance); Jennifer Gardypie (most improved); John Gardippi (proficiency). Grade 4A Monica Cameron (best attendance); Cecelia Sutherland

(most improved); Monica Cameron (proficiency). Grade 4B - Lannette Mandes (best attendance); Marless Okemaysim (most improved); Elfrieda Okemaysim (proficiency). 5A Yahyahkeekoot (best attendance and most improved); Edgar Cameron (proficiency). Grade 5B - Ellis Gamble (best attendance); Eugene Thomas (most improved); Gail Smallchild (proficiency). Grade Leighton 6 Yahyahkeekoot (best attendance); Andrew Gamble (most improved); Vernon Okemaysim (proficiency).

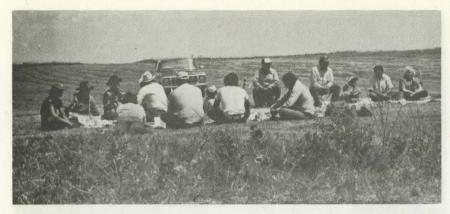
CREE LANGUAGE PROGRAM:
Grade 1 — Jason Cameron. Grade
2 — Darwin Cameron. Grade 3 —
Mona Paintednose. Grade 4 —
Marcel Robin. Grade 5 — Ingrid
Mike.

STOBART HIGH SCHOOL: Grade 7 - Lee Cameron (best attendance); Bernadette Thomas (most improved); Yvonne Okemaysim (proficiency). Grade 8 – Kathleen Gamble (best attendance); Priscilla Robin (most improved); Darlene Okemaysim (proficiency). Grade 9 - Mervin Mandes (best attendance); Sonny Gamble (most improved); Sheila Mike (proficiency). Grade 10 - Darrell Cameron (best attendance); Mary Esperance (most improved); Mary Esperance (proficiency). Grade 11 Sandra Cameron (best attendance and most improved); Bradley Michael (proficiency). Grade 12 - Wendell Michael (best attendance and proficiency); Sandra Mike (most improved). The Leadership Award went to Cheryl Mike of Grade 11.

These students received a \$10 cash award as well. Youth club president Remi Mike presented a plaque of recognition to visiting guest Andy Morgan, a former education councillor. Andy is now stationed in Red Deer, Alberta.

A dance followed the presentation of awards; Music was provided by the Lawrence Joseph Band.









Beardy's Cultural Days.

BEARDY'S/OKEMASIS HOST CULTURAL WORKSHOP

by Gloria Ledoux

Under the direction of Charlie Bighead and Hilliard Eyahsoe (Crow), the band hosted a three-day cultural workshop on July 3rd, 4th and 5th; Friday was set aside for camping day. The traditional pipe ceremony, conducted by the Elders at sunrise, got the workshop

under way. This was followed by open discussions with the Elders. A Sweat Lodge was held late in the afternoon. Sunday morning began with a pipe ceremony followed by an open air prayer service.

An Indian feast concluded the workshop. In his closing remarks, Chief Ralph Gardipy thanked people for their participation in the workshop and invited everyone back to the next camp sometime this fall.

NEWS AND ACTIVITIES AROUND MUSKEG LAKE

by Gloria Ledoux

The Health Committee, also a very active group on the reserve, is busy preparing for the Summer Games; The women are sponsoring the Princess Pageant. Assisted by Lorna Arcand, they have come up with a tentative calendar of events for the week of August 17 to 22.

Monday:

Barbeque - 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Tuesday:

Bingo - \$200.00 jackpot

Wednesday:

Pow-wow – 2:00 p.m. Princess Pageant – 7:00 p.m.

Thursday:

Talent Show (Indian & Metis)

Friday:

Fiddling & Jigging Contest – 7:00 p.m.

Saturday:

Wind-up cabaret

The committee is looking for local talent – no age limit – to perform at the program. If you are i nterested please call 466-4444 to register. Proceeds will go towards the Saskatchewan Indian Summer Games.

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The Muskeg Lake School Committee held their second Annual Awards Night at Martin's Lake Regional Park on Monday, June 29th. Due to the conflict of events (track and field eliminations were being held simultaneously at the Duck Lake Student Residence) many students were unable to attend. The following students received awards:

Best Female Junior Athlete — Diane Lafond. Best Female Senior Athlete — Shirley Greyeyes (who also received a trophy at the Marcelin Awards day. Best Male Junior Athlete — Paul Ledoux. Best Male Senior Athlete — Murray Greyeyes.

GRADE 1: Most Improved – Robin Arcand; Best Attendance – Albert Wolfe; Best All Round – Sheldon Arcand.

GRADE 2: Most Improved – Albert Arcand; Best Attendance – Elliot Wolfe; Best All Round – Tina Arcand.

GRADE 3: Most Improved – Ross Arcand; Best Attendance – Debbie

Sanderson; Best All Round - Cheryl Arcand.

GRADE 4: Most Improved – Mark Arcand; Best Attendance – Jason Longneck and Garry Arcand; Best All Round – Barbara Tawpisim.

GRADE 5: Most Improved — Alvin Arcand; Best Attendance — Dwayne Arcand; Best All Round — Mervin Lafond.

GRADE 6: Most Improved — Leon Tawpisim; Best Attendance — Judy Arcand; Best All Round — Evelyn Arcand.

GRADE 7: Most Improved — Tina Greyeyes; Best Attendance — Lori Ann Arcand; Best All Round — Lori Ann Arcand.

GRADE 8: Most Improved – Cheryl Greyeyes (also received Best All Round); Best Attendance – Pat Ledoux.

GRADE 9: Most Improved — Paul Ledoux; Best Attendance and Best All Round — Diane Lafond.

GRADE 10: Most Improved – Murray Greyeyes; Best Attendance – Brenda McAdam; Best All Round – Murray Greyeyes.

GRADE 11: Most Improved, Best Attendance, and Best All Round all went to Shirley Greyeyes.

GRADE 12: Bernie Arcand received both the Most Improved and Best All Round awards.

A weiner roast concluded the program.

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Eight post-secondary, upgrading, and Grade 12 graduates were hired by the post-secondary Summer Student Employment Program sponsored by the Canada Employment Commission. These students are involved in community clean-up, working on the sports grounds in preparation for the Summer Games, and wherever they are needed.

Hopefully, 10 high school students will be working prior to, and during, the Summer Games. Due to financial restraints and limited funding (which incidently has not arrived at the band office), it has been impossible, thus far, to put these 'hopefuls' to work.





Muskeg Lake 4-H Club.



Muskeg Lake 4-H Garden Project.

From the Muskeg Lake 4-H Club, a three-day camping trip was well received by parents and the 40 participants who trekked through the bushes to set up camp. The children and volunteer help all did their own cooking over an open fire. Various games, relays, scavenger hunts, and more, kept the camp bustling with activity. A sing-song beside a huge bonfire, each evening, was enjoyed by all.

Everyone returned home Sunday afternoon tired but happy. The camp was termed so successful that plans are underway to set up another camp in the near future.

As a result of a cooking class, a bake sale was held to offset costs. The sale of cookies, bannock, pies, cakes and sandwiches were well received by everyone who attended.

Arlene Lafond, project leader, and the enthusiastic 4-H members are certainly to be commended for their efforts in making this club a success. The parents continue to render their support by helping with the cooking classes.

Watch for our 4-H members on T.V. — channel 5 — in the near future. No definite date has yet been set for the program, but it will appear during the noon hour.

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Parents, friends and guests gathered at the Muskeg Lake Kindergarten classroom on Thursday, June 25th to witness five students receive their Kindergarten diplomas. They are as follows: Michelle Sanderson, Leslie Arcand, Jacob Longneck, Darcy Ahenakew, and Clayton Arcand.

(Mrs.) Mable Greyeyes, teacher's aide, accompanied the class with her guitar as they sang two songs in Cree – 'Papahkwan', and 'Tapwe



Muskeg Lake Kindergarten Class.

Nikisketen' - and one in English -'Found a Peanut'.

Each graduate then sang a solo; This was followed by the presentation of certificates by kindergarten teacher, Valerie Priestly.

A buffet style lunch was served by Mrs. Priestly and Mrs. Greyeyes, to conclude the program.

Upcoming events include an open air Cash Bingo, sponsored by the Muskeg Lake Recreation Board. Total prize money is \$1400. The bingo will be held at the Muskeg Lake Sports Grounds on Saturday, August 29th at 6:30 p.m. There will be seven games at \$100.00 each, one \$1,000 jackpot, one \$300.00 baby jackpot, and 1 -Half the take. Master Cards will sell for \$5.00 while the extra cards will be \$1.00 each. A concession booth will also be available on the grounds. All you bingo fans plan to attend, who knows - you might be one of the lucky winners.

IOHNSTONE RE-ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION

by Gloria Ledoux

The residents of the Mistawasis band went to the polls on Thursday, June 25th to elect their new Council.

Five people were nominated for the Chief's position while 21 ran for the eight council positions. Frederick Lafond of Muskeg Lake was electoral

Patrick Johnstone, Phillip Ledoux, Eric Pechawis, and Frank Dreavor declined their bid for the Chief's position necessitating Chief Norman C. Johnstone to be re-elected by acclamation.

Successful candidates for the eight council positions were: Patrick Johnstone (69 votes), Alvin Johnstone (59 votes), Anna Ledoux (57 votes), Arthur Ledoux (51 votes), Eric Pechawis (50 votes), Norma Pechawis (49 votes), Ivan Daniels (48 votes), Arnold Pechawis (43 votes).

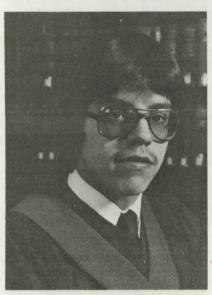
New to the council are Arnold Pechawis and Eric Pechawis. From the old council, Cecile Watson did not seek re-election and Louis Watson was unsuccessful in his bid for council. Out of the 164 eligible voters 96 turned out to cast their ballots.

MISTAWASIS BAND HONORS GRADS

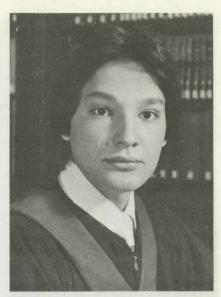
by Gloria Ledoux

Approximately 100 friends, parents, relatives, and special guests gathered at the Mistawasis Community Hall to honor their Grade 12 graduates Friday, June

Larry Syverson, education



Robert Daniels. Mistawasis Grad.



Daryl Watson, Mistawasis Grad.

counsellor, was the master of ceremonies. Councillor Anna Ledoux said the grace at the commencement of the buffet style banquet held in honor of Darryl, son of Louis and Lillian Watson; and Roger, son of George and Leona Daniels.

At the conclusion of the banquet, Mr. Syverson introduced the head table guests; this was followed by Anna Ledoux proposing a toast to the graduates.

Special guest speaker, Mrs. Norma Pechawis, guidance counsellor, commended the parents for their support and received a round of applause and a standing ovation when she told the graduates "you have now finished your Grade 12 but this is not the place to stop. You must go on." Pechawis attended graduation exercises at Notre Dame School in Wilcox, when graduated. these boys Congratulations and may you each continue to succeed in your endeavors. Each graduate received a desk set from the band.

Donna and Jeannie Pechawis sang their rendition of "Country Roads" to conclude the program.

A dance followed the reception.



NUT LAKE KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS MOVE TO NEW QUARTERS

by Gloria Ledoux

"I thank you all for the time you have taken to be with us in what may be a beginning era in Indian control of Indian education", said Chief Joe Quewezance.

Approximately 50 guests, parents, councillors, school

committee members, and elders gathered at the school grounds to witness Chief Joe Quewezance cut the ribbon and officially open the new Kindergarten facility. The 21 Kindergarten students are presently the only students attending school on the Reserve. The rest of the school children are bused to schools in Rose Valley, Archerwill, and Kelvington.

In his welcome address, Chief

Joe Quewezance gave a brief history of the band's education program since its inception in the 1930's. He also spoke of the direction they hope to take regarding local control of Indian education. In his closing remarks the chief invited the neighboring communities to work with the bands by attempting to understand the unique status which was gained by the signing of the Treaties with England.

Indian Affairs district superintendent of education, Joe Gerencser, commended the team effort, dedication and leadership the band has shown. He added that he was happy to take part in building this reality. Chief Sol Sanderson spoke on the highlights of education, the direction the FSI has taken towards education, and how it has become a priority. With him was Milton Burns, special assistant.

Harvey Bauer, assistant superintendent of education in the Wadena school, said, "you have a lot going for your band. Keep it up."

Marvin Mackie of Archerwill, and Ross Louti of Rose Valley, both expressed their good will and extended hopes of success.

A beautiful buffet style lunch was prepared and served by Pat Patenaude and Agnus Whitehead.

In closing, Chief Joe Quewezance thanked everyone for coming.



Nut Lake Kindergarten facility.



Chief Joe Quewezance (centre), and teachers' aides.

SNEAK PREVIEW ... Summer Games

by Gloria Ledoux

Saskatoon district eliminations for the Track and Field events were held at the Duck Lake Student Residence on Monday, June 29. The weather was certainly in the athlete's favor unfortunately only three bands participated: Beardy's, Mistawasis and the host Muskeg Lake.

In the **pre-squirt** events (ages 6, 7 & 8), Kevin Cameron came first in the 75-metre race while Mark Daniels took first in the 50-metre race, high jump, and long jump. Mark also placed second in the 75-metre race. Clinton Arcand came in first in the

standing long jump, second in the high jump and third in both the 75-metre race and the long jump. Elliot Wolfe took second in the 50-metres and long jump and placed third in high jump, standing long jump and ball throw. Craig Cameron took first in the ball throw and third in the standing long jump.

In the girls' division Penny Arcand came in first in the 50- and 75-metres, second in long jump and third in standing long jump. Debbie Sanderson placed second in both the 50- and 75-metre races as well as in the high jump. Mona Okemaysim captured first in standing long jump, second in ball throw and third in high jump and the 50- and 75-metre races. For Shawna Wolfe, it was a first place finish in three events - high jump, long jump and ball throw. Mona Daniels came in second in standing long jump, and third in ball throw.

In the squirt boys' division (ages 9 & 10) . . . watch for Garry Arcand - he placed first in the 75- and 100-metre races as well as in the standing long jump and placed second in the long jump. Kelly Cameron came in second in the 75-metres and high jump, third in standing long jump and first in ball throw. Mark Arcand placed third in the 100-metres, first in high jump, third in long jump and second in standing long jump. Warren Greyeyes came in third in the 75-metres and second in the



Saskatoon District Bantam Team - Student Exchange Team.

100-metres while also placing first in long jump. Silas Gardipy came in third in high jump. Chris Pechawis took second in ball throw and Chad Daniels took third in that event.

In the girls' squirt division Judy Lafond took first in long jump and ball throw, second in standing long jump and the 100-metres, and third in the 75-metres. Jennifer Arcand took first in standing long jump, second in the 75-metres and ball throw, and third in the 100-metres, the high jump and the long jump.

Monica Cameron came second in both the high jump and the long jump and third in the standing long jump and ball throw. Lanette Smallchild took first in both the 75and 100-metre races, while Marlis Okemaysim took first in high jump.

In the pee wee boys' division (ages 11 & 12) it was Rory Daniels coming in first in the 100- and 200-metres and ball throw, second in the 400-metres and standing long jump, and third in the long jump. Marvin Johnstone came in first in standing long jump, second in the 100-metres and long jump, and third in the 200-metres and ball throw. Sheldon Gamble took first in high jump and long jump, and third in the 400-metres. Dion Smallchild took first in the 400-metres, second in the 200-metres, and third in the 100-metres. Leon Tawpisim came in second in the ball throw and third in both the high jump and standing jump. Derek Arcand took second in the high jump.

In the girls' pee wee division it was Donna Pechawis all the way as she captured first in the 100-, 200-, and 400-metre races, the high jump, long jump and the standing long jump. Lori Ann Arcand came in second in the 100- and 200-metres and third in high jump. Tammy Arcand placed second in high jump and third in the 100- and 200-metres and long jump.



Saskatoon District Pee Wees - Silver Medalists.

Francine Okemaysim came in second in the 400-metre race. Carla Tawpisim came in second in the long jump and third in the 400-metres and standing long jump. Sandra Ledoux came in second in the standing long jump.

In the bantam boys' division (ages 13 & 14) it was Dean Cameron all the way capturing first in the 100-metres, high jump, long jump, discus and shot put. Dwayne Tawpisim captured first in the 400-metres, second in the 100-, 200- and 800-metre races, triple jump, long jump and discus. Dale Daniels took first in the 200-metres, triple jump, and the javelin throw, and second in high jump. Kurt Daniels came in second in javelin and shot put while placing third in high jump and discus. Kevin Badger took third in javelin and shot put. Allan Black came in third in the 100-metres, high jump and long jump. Jeremy Duquette came in first in the 800-and the 1500-metre races. and second in the 400-metres. Kelly Johnstone came in second in the 1500-metre race and third in the 200and 800-metres. Merle Gamble came third in the 400- and the 1500 metre runs.

In the bantam girls' division Colleen Ledoux came in first in the 400- and 800-metre runs and the triple jump. Anita Johnstone took first in the 100-and 200-metre races, and the discus and placed second in both the triple jump and the javelin. Doris Johnstone took first in javelin and shot put. Marcy Ledoux took second in the 100-metres and shot put, and third in the 200-metres, long jump and discus. Dianne Lafond took second in long jump and discus and third in high jump and triple jump. Wanda Badger took second in the 200-metre race and high jump and third in javelin. Laurie Bird took first in high jump and long jump and third in the 100- and 400-metre runs. Ruby Watson placed second in both the 400- and the 800-metre races while Gail Watson came third in the 800-metres and Deanne Johnstone took third place in discus.

With equal participation at the Summer Games, these young athletes can promise exciting competition if they do as well as they did on June 29.





Summer Games - eliminations.

After a hearty lunch and presentation of ribbons, Harvey Cameron told the participating athletes, "we are now going to the Summer Games as a team — not as individuals or for your respective bands".

Chief Leonard Ledoux would like to

extend his thanks and appreciation to Harvey Cameron, Dave Seesequasis and the staff of the Duck Lake Student Residence for volunteering to run the track events, and to the chaperones for their time, interest and efforts in making these eliminations a success.

TOUCHWOOD/FILE HILLS/ FORT QU'APPELLE DISTRICT

SOUTHERN PLAINS HANDICRAFT, **IDEALLY LOCATED AND READY FOR** THE FUTURE

by Martha Ironstar

Meet Linda Bellegarde. She is the manageress of a successful Indian Arts and Crafts shop at Fort Qu'Appelle, Saskatchewan. Considered a tourist-town because of the surrounding Echo, Mission and Katepwa lakes the town attracts anyone visiting in Saskatchewan.

Southern Plains Handicraft shop is located on the town's west side, offering to the consumer a complete line of authentic Indian crafts, from moccasins to feather headdresses. Estimated prices on items such as moccasins range from \$6.50 for an infant's size-0, to an adult's size 12 selling for \$22.00. Mukluks sell for a staggering \$105 and up. For the dancing enthusiasts the shawls at Southern Plains cost \$45 for a plain shawl with fringe in a variety of colors. The felt work design shawls are more attractive and a few hand-painted ones are also available. They sell for \$55 - \$65.

Southern Plains also have their own designs for shawls and ribbon shirts. They also take special orders. Other products sold are jewelry, artist cards, prints, pow-wow records, tapes and small souvenir items.

Incorporated as a co-op in 1972 and a membership of 160 people, the business is presently changing their philosophy from a small retail and cottage industry to an assembly I ine factory-type production.

In February of this year, the seven-member board of directors began negotiations with DREE and Department of Industry and Commerce for a training program which would employ six people on a full-time basis. Employees would be involved in learning to operate seven machines used in the production of footwear, jackets, vests and all leather products.

The program is expected to be underway by July of 1981. Corsleigh LaFayette, who is a CESO member, would be the instructor. The people who represent Canadian Executive Services Overseas (CESO), provide advice and expertise in business operation as they are retired business professionals.

Manageress Linda Bellegarde, says once the program is in full production the shop will require additional cottage workers.

In the past years, mukluks, moccasins and mitts were placed in kits and sent home with the ladies who sewed and beaded them. With the new program, the whole operation would change from hand sewing to machine sewing. Products would be made at less cost with an increase in production.

Southern Plains has also started wholesales to other companies in Quebec, Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta. Displays are presented at local pow-wow celebrations, and events. This shop participated in the Festival of Indian Arts and Crafts, which was held in



Women at work.



Manageress Linda Bellegarde.

Ottawa at the end of June. The Festival which was sponsored by National Indian Arts & Crafts was involved in direct sales, demonstrations, film series and promotions.

QU'APPELLE INDIAN SCHOOL COUNCIL "TAKES OVER"

by Martha Ironstar

A positive step will be taken in September of 1981, as the management of educational programs in the Qu'Appelle Indian Residential school (QIRS), will be taken over by the QIRS council.

The take over will give the school council an opportunity to make decisions concerning educational curriculum at the school.

Education programs at QIRS next fall semester will comprise of four areas: • academic • vocational • recreational and • moral. Students will have an opportunity to achieve academic excellence in English, Mathematics, Biology, Chemistry, Social Studies and other subjects taken by other fine schools in the province.

The council's objective is to ensure the students receive a high standard of education, which would instill selfconfidence and pride within themselves.

The vocational program will include Industrial Arts, Business Education and Home Economics. Students taking Industrial Arts for the first year will have courses in woodwork, welding, drafting and electronics. The business education will include typing, bookkeeping, accounting and a course in office procedures. Home Economics will be confined to foods and clothing.

The objective of the vocational program is to provide the students with the skills needed to be employable upon completion of high school.

The two goals within the recreational education program is to excel in sports competitions at the unit, district and provincial levels and to train the young men and women of tomorrow in meaningful leisure time activities.

Through the physical education program the council's aim is to stress the importance of good health and physical fitness.

Concerning moral education at QIRS, the council's wish is to confine their efforts to the teaching of ethics. The objective is to give the students a glance of the various choices in life.

As principal of QIRS, Mohan Bakshi wrote in their newsletter "we wish them (students) to have freedom of choice, what we want to do is ensure they exercise their choice with knowledge and not ignorance." Bakshi said, "to do all this is a challenge, to provide opportunities to accomplish these objectives is a step forward"....

GORDON RESIDENTIAL SECOND ANNUAL AWARDS NIGHT

by Martha Ironstar

The school term has come to an end and the parents, staff, teachers and friends of the students attending Gordons school gathered on June 29th to watch the presentations, banquet and pow-wow.

The sources of health in all children, in addition to their potentials, talents and resources, are their freedom of being. The school has provided an environment where the children were educated, not only academically, but culturally as well.

Knowledge and academic credentials are often used to enhance the individual's marketing of himself and to enable a person to exploit, compete and win economic status, and prestige rewards.

Individual trophies were presented for best attendance, most improved, and highest average to a student in each category from kindergarten to Grade 11.

The evening's ceremonies started with an opening prayer by Albert Oochoo of Gordon's reserve.

The kindergarten trophies were presented by the teachers, Miss Pinnoe, Mrs. Lambert, and Mrs. Pelletier, to the following students: Karen Anderson, Shawna Bird, Lee Bitternose, Joel Cyr, Tammy Gambler, Richard Geddes, Denise McNab, Heather Bellegarde, and Clifford McNab.

Individual trophies were awarded to the following students:

BEST ATTENDANCE: Grade 1 — Michele Geddes (presented by Albert Oochoo); Grade 2 — Angela McNab (presented by Edward Bitternose); Grade 3 — Aaron McNab (presented by Jeanette Bitternose);

Grade 4 — Donnette McNab (presented by Robert Blind); Grade 5 — Troy McNab (presented by Porky Pratt); Grade 6 — Melvin McNab (presented by Helen McNab); Resource Mark McNab (presented by Barbara Bitternose); Grade 7 — Deon Bitternose (presented by William T. Morris); Grade 8 — Kathleen McNab (presented by Shirley McNab); Grade 9 — Sheila Cry (presented by Sandra Pratt); Grade 10 — Harold McNab (presented by Herman Blind); Grade 11 — Anne McNab (presented by Chief Hilliard McNab).

MOST IMPROVED: Grade 1 -Edward Bitternose (presented by Albert Oochoo); Grade 2 - Sherri Severight (presented by Edward Bitternose); Grade 3 - Sheldon Bitternose (presented by Jeanette Bitternose); Grade 4 - Sheldon McNab and Arlene Morris (presented by Robert Blind); Grade 5 - Terry Bitternose (presented by Porky Pratt); Grade 6 - Lorretta Hunter (presented by Helen McNab); Resource - Floyd Cyr (presented by Barbara Bitternose); Grade 7 - Valerie Geddes (presented by William T. Morris); Grade 8 - Sidney Bitternose (presented by Shirley McNab); Grade 9 - Winston McNab (presented by Sandra Pratt); Grade 10 - Harold McNab (presented by Herman Blind); Grade 11 - Dayle Hunter (presented by Chief Hilliard McNab).

HIGHEST AVERAGE: Grade 1 -Bradley Bitternose (presented by Albet Oochoo); Grade 2 - Angela McNab (presented by Edward Bitternose); Grade 3 - Joanne Bitternose (presented by Jeanette Bitternose); Grade 4 - Tanya Bitternose (presented by Robert Blind); Grade 5 - Kurt Morris (presented by Porky Pratt); Grade 6 -Melvin McNab (presented by Helen McNab); Grade 7 - Sherri Geddes (presented by William T. Morris); **Grade 8 –** Kathleen McNab (presented by Shirley McNab); Grade 9 - Sheila Cyr (presented by Sandra Pratt); Grade 10 - Edward Hunter (presented by Herman Blind); Grade 11 - Dayle Hunter (presented by Chief Hilliard McNab).

Following the trophy presentations, entertainment was provided by Sheila Cyr, a Grade 10 student at the school. Her folk-ballad type singing was well applauded.

Silence fell as the singer left the stage and everyone sat patiently waiting for the pow-wow singers . . . a few minutes later six young men filed in with their drums, and began to sing. The group of singers, called "Seven Arrows", originate from the Regina area and are lead by Morris McArthur of Whitebear reserve.

Regina Native Girls performed a variety of dances such as traditional, fancy, sneak-up and round dance. The group is co-ordinated by Lily Daniels of Regina.

The teachers, principal and staff, as well as chief and council of Gordon's reserve, are to be commended on the excellent use of resources and education provided for the students. These experiences will have personal meaning and value, making their younger years the best possible during their school terms.

OMAMAWI-ATOSKEWIN CONFERENCE DISCUSSED

by Martha Ironstar

FSI Chief Sol Sanderson addressed leaders of business, Industry, labour, federal and provincial governments and clergy at a luncheon meeting held at Hotel Saskatchewan in Regina on June 30th.

Urban Affairs minister Walter Smishek called the meeting to generate interest among the 250 invited guests for a conference called Omamawi-Atoskewin, a cree phrase meaning 'working together'.

The province-sponsored conference planned for the last week in November will focus on alternatives to deal with social and economic problems encountered by native people.

Smishek said, "we want your help, your input, these problems can't be solved by government alone. They can only be solved by the total Sasatchewan community . . . all of us have a responsibility to initiate these new approaches."

Sanderson, representing 42,000 status Indians in the province, said the Federation of Saskatchewan Indians (FSI) will participate in the conference to ensure the public is aware of the problems faced by natives.

"We're not going to participate to

lay a guilt trip on anyone", Sandersonsaid, "we have experienced severe conditions, we realize we have to take greater control over our own affairs and the effects of things impacting on us. We need a clear willingness on your part to be able to effectively address the problems facing us".

Sanderson continued by saying, "we want to become a part of the economic community the conference will give us an opportunity to hear from many of you concerning these issues".

Wayne McKenzie, executive director of the Association of Metis and Non-Status Indians of Saskatchewan (AMNIS), said he hoped neither the government or Non-Native public would sit back and wait for some great ideas and strategies to form before the conference in November.

"I hope the government starts to work on the problems with the ideas Native organizations have put forward".

McKenzie mentioned an unreleased government report estimated \$750 million a year is spent on Metis and Non-Status Indians across Canada through penal institutions, halfway houses, and other institutions.

"That's a waste of money, said McKenzie, we'd like to see those dollars put into areas like recreation, education and economic development, to turn around that rotten situation".

About 75 members of the (AMNIS) group, disrupted the after-dinner speeches with shouts of, "we want Smishek," giving the leaders in Saskatchewan a clear view of the frustration felt by AMNIS.

Napoleon La Fontaine, the director of AMNIS Southeast area and the leader of the impromptu demonstration, informed the gathering of the problems his group had been having in its dealings with the provincial government over a Metis farm at Lebret, Saskatchewan.

Teal Lowery, chairman of the steering committee organizing the conference, said the incident may have been as much help as it was interruptive. "It gave an idea just how frustrated these people are about things".

Smishek said he would not meet with them as a group, but would meet with the area board or with LaFontaine.

The conference is expected to cost the provincial government about \$200, 000 and will begin with a general session followed by six workshops, dealing with economic development and employment, education and culture, social and health concerns, political institutions and involvement, land issues and communications.

AIR RIGHTS???

by Martha Ironstar

Canadian Indians are not only staking out lands and waters promised to them in treaties, but "air rights" as well, says FSI Chief Sol Sanderson.

They will be broadcasting their own educational and commerical television and radio programs within a year, he said at the Canadian Institute of Planners national convention in Regina, on July 9, 1981.

The stations won't be under the jurisdiction of the federal government's Canadian Radio and Television Commission (CRTC), as are all other Canadian broadcast stations, but "we will deal with ourselves within our own government with respect to air space," Sanderson said.

Jan Skora, CRTC director-general for the mid-west region, said he has not heard of Sanderson's proposal, but the general interpretation of the Broadcasting Act says anyone wanting to use radio or television frequencies in this country for broadcasting must be awarded a license by the CRTC.

Sanderson also said a bank for Indians and an Indian justice system are being set up, 'which means the jurisdiction of proper Indian law in Canada."

They don't have control of their education or economy, or their spirit or pride.

The symptoms are high unemployment, alcohol problems, high suicide rates and uncertainty about the past or future, Sanderson said.

"But we are doing something about it," the Chief said.

In addition to the broadcast station and bank, Saskatchewan Indians want to certify Indian curriculum content in non-Indian schools and want a share of the province's resources.

"When we talk about monies we receive from the province of Saskatchewan or Canada, those are Indian monies," concluded Sanderson.

STAR BLANKET CELEBRATES

by Martha Ironstar

The sound of drums, the movement of colorful dancers and the feeling of excitement filled the air as the Star Blanket reserve celebrated its annual pow-wow on July 10 - 12.

400 dancers registered for the event which offered \$12,320 in total prize money, while \$4,800 was awarded to the 13 drums represented at the celebration. The drums were representatives from:

Crooked Lake Agency

Four Winds Society (Poorman)

Seven Arrows (Regina)

• Fort Kipp (Fort Kipp, Montana)

Standing Buffalo (Fort Qu'Appelle)

 Hobemma Selects (Hobemma, Alberta)

Whitebear

Sioux Travellers (Manitoba)

• Bear Claw (Rocky Boy, Montana)

• Big Sky (Popular, Montana)

Lone Eagle Singers (Muscowpetung)

Each drum pounded out a different note as the roll call for the drums was taken. One of the most spectacular events at any celebration is the grand entry. That is, when all the dancers from each category, dressed in full regalia, file into the arena, or "big top" as it is called.

Leading the grand entry in the celebration were Johnny Sheepskin of Regina and Charles Tailfeathers of Rocky Boy, Montana, who carried the Eagle staff which represents all Indian nations. Carrying the Union Jack was Pat Adams of Popular, Montana. The Union Jack is carried in honor of the veterans who fought for the freedom of the people in Canada. Kip Whitecloud of Fort Kipp, Montana carried the Stars and Stripes flag, which is carried in honor of visiting United States veterans and other visitors from our neighbouring country.

A princess pageant was also held, and Cheryl McNabb of Gordons reserve was crowned by last year's princess Roxann Koochicum. This year's runner-up was Michelle Bellegarde of File Hills.

Other special events included a memorial dance for Lee-Ann Starr. This was for girls fancy dancers aged 15 - 16. There was also a men's traditional dance in memory of the late Louis and Allan Starblanket. These two memorial dances were sponsored by the Starr family. A memorial dance was also held for the late Corky Rosebluff, sponsored by Mike Pinay and family.

Raffle tickets were on sale offering a choice of \$500 cash or a steer. Princess Cheryl Bitternose made the draw and the lucky winner was Gary Hotomanie of Brackton, Montana.

The crowd focused their attention on Eillen Caldwell who performed the hoop-dance using 18 hoops.

The hoop dance is one of the oldest Indian traditions being kept alive today. This special dance tells a story or legend. Each dancer in the pow-wow has his/her own costume regalia, derived from their ancestors or designed to identify their name; Each dancer is unique.

If watching carefully, one can see the dancers telling many different stories in the dance. They mimick



Flag-bearers in the Grand Entry.



Crooked Lake Agency Singers — Clifford Taypotat and Donald Assiniboine.

wounded buffalo, wolves, and other animals. The competitions offer the best dancers a large amount of money, but they also demand the best performance out of each dancer. Each of the following winners in the competitions should be commended for their effort in keeping with their cultural traditions.

GIRLS TRADITONAL (11 and under):
First — Andrea Redman (Standing Buffalo);
Second — Gaylene
Anaquoid (Muscowpetung);
Third —
Doris Rosebluff (Muscowpetung).

GIRLS FANCY (11 and under): First — Jolene Redman (Standing Buffalo); Second — Lorenda Acapace (Poorman's Reserve); Third — Sherri Sparvier (Broadview).

BOYS FANCY (11 and under): First — Thomas Ironman (Regina); Second — Micheal Esquash (Winnipeg); Third — Jason Sparvier (Broadview).

BOYS TRADITIONAL (1.1 and under): First — Kelsey Kaysaywaysemat (Broadview); Second — Stanley Acapace (Poorman's Reserve); Third — Angelo Morrisseau (Winnipeg).

GIRLS TRADITIONAL (12 - 16): First — Patricia Adams (Fort Kipp, Montanna); Second: Connie Kaysaywaysemat (Broadview); Third — Theresa Bob (Broadview).

GIRLS FANCY (12 - 16): First — Claudia Adams (Fort Kipp, Montana); Second — Lisa Ewack (Whitebear); Third — Missy Goodwill (Standing Buffalo).

BOYS FANCY (12 - 16): First — Brian

Goodwill (Standing Buffalo); **Second**– Rodney Delorme (Cowessess); **Third** – Bryon Goodwill (Standing Buffalo).

LADIES TRADITIONAL: First — Vera Morrisseau (Winnipeg); Second — Yvonne Merrick (New Town, North Dakota); Third — Darlene Carrier (Piapot).

LADIES FANCY: First — Josephine Kaysaywaysemat (Broadview); Second — Kathy Kiasowatum (Piapot); Third — Joy Thompson (Carry-the Kettle).

MEN'S FANCY (Traditional): First – Donny Ironchild (Piapot); Second – Alex Nahnepowisk (Piapot); Third – Mervin Bob (Broadview).

MEN'S FANCY: First — Junior Bearstail (Mandaree, North Dakota); Second — Ron McNabb (Gordon's Reserve); Third — Andrew Mecas (Waywayseecappo).

To conclude the 1981 celebration, the winners in each category danced with pow-wow committee president Ronnie Wakeup, Chief Irvin Starr and secretary Beverly Bellegarde.

M.C.'s for the event were Mike Pinay of File Hills and Gordon Moroceau of Winnipeg.

NATIVE METAL INDUSTRIES BURNS NOTE OPENS NEW BUILDING

by Martha Ironstar

Native Metal Industries of Regina celebrated the opening of a new maintenance and storage building as well as the liquidation of a five-year-old loan on June 12, 1981.

Alvin Piapot, who has been with Native Metal Industries (NMI) for 11 years, took the honor of setting a \$100,000 promissory note on fire with a blow torch which was also used to cut a bar of iron officially opening the company's new maintenance building on Industrial Drive.

Don Goodwin, assistant Deputy Minister for the federal Indian and Inuit Affairs program, said NMI has trained three to four hundred people in heavy machinery operation and other areas since 1970. Native metal is to be commended on their accomplishments and use of resources within economic development for native people. Goodwin also described the company as a "true success story".

Native Metal presently employs 60 people who also own shares in the company.

On a contract with Interprovincial Steel & Pipe Corp. Ltd., the company supplies scrap metal from old railway cars, demolishing 50 per cent of all absolete railway cars in North America.

Lloyd Thompson, general manager of NMI said the first five years was a learning process for the company which started in 1970. The federal and provincial governments helped out in 1976 when the company needed refinancing, and involved native organizations to guide us where we are today.

"The two ceremonies were proof of the company's good financial health," he said.

The new maintenance and storage building, which was built with profits earned since the business became successful, will allow Native Metal to store the machinery and repair it on location.

"The building is also looked at as a starter towards Native employment and training," said Thompson, as it will also serve as a facility for the company's apprenticeship program.

Joe Kiasowatum, formerly of Native Metal said the company is "great for native people because it not only trains them to drive heavy equipment but also teaches them to budget money, work regular hours and get ready for better jobs."

YORKTON DISTRICT

GRADUATION-AWARDS AT MARIEVAL

by Lionel Sparvier

On Tuesday, June 30, 1981, six students graduated from the Marieval Community Education Centre.

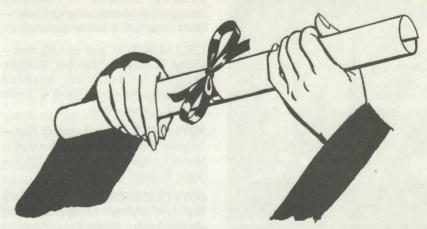
The graduation night started off with a buffet style banquet served by the Cowessess Homemakers Club. Graduates Betty Watson and Floyd Bear from the Ochapowace Band along with Sherman Delorme, Fenton Lerat, Richard Redwood from the Cowessess Band and their escorts were the head table guests. Not present for the graduation was Marc Sparvier from the Cowessess Band.

The graduation exercises began with principal Don Pinay's address. Pinay stated that he realized the problems of going through high school, both as a student and as a teacher. He thanked the students, teachers and parents for making the 1980-81 school year a success. He also stated that Mariveal is a unique school because it offers classes from Kindergarten to Grade 12. Pinay ended his address by thanking the Chiefs and councils for their full support in all the school's endeavours.

The school principal's address was followed by introduction of the graduates. Congratulations and words of wisdom were passed on by the student council president Brian Delorme, constable Lionel Poitras of the RCMP Broadview detachment, Mrs. Amanda Louison, chairperson of the Mariveal Community Education Centre, Chief Cameron Watson of the Ochapowace Reserve; councillor Bernard Bob of Kahkewistahaw Band, and Cowessess councillor Ken Delorme and Richard Kaye from Sakimay Reserve.

Also in attendance was Delia Opekokew of the FSI and Lyle Davies from Indian Affairs, who were called upon to give talks to the graduates and guests.

The graduation exercises were followed by awards presentations. Jackie Redwood, a Grade XI student won the highest academic



achievement award. Cross-country, Tammy Alexson (girls' team) — Gilbert Lonechild, (boys' team) — volleyball awards, Wanda Redwood, (Senior girls team) — Linus Wasacase, (Senior boys team) — badminton, Percy Isacc (male division) — Bonnie Lavallee, (female division).

Track and Field — Diane Tannee Memorial Trophy was awarded to Marilyn Lerat and the Earl Martinowich Memorial Trophy went to Lorie Lerat of the male division.

Lori also won the Acoose Memorial Trophy for long distance running.

The final awards were the athletesof-the-year, as well as athletic and academic abilities combined. The Junior divisions were won by **Tracy Lavallee**, and **Lorie Lerat**. The Senior division awards went to **Marilyn Lerat** and **Linus Wasacase**.

A dance with music by the Sundown Band from Regina concluded this occasion.

KAHKEWISTAHAW OUSTS BROADVIEW R.C.M.P.

by Lionel Sparvier

Chief Louis Taypotat, council and staff narrowly defeated the Broadview R.C.M.P. Detachment by a score of 6-5 in an exhibition fastball game played in Broadview on Wednesday, July 15.

Special Constable Lloyd Goodwill is the person who established these games between the surrounding communities and the Broadview Detachment. These ballgames were started for the purpose of creating better relationships and communications between the R.C.M.P. and the surrounding communities.

In a game played earlier this season, Chief Gordon Lerat, staff and council thumped the Broadview Detachment 19-13. Chief Lerat was the hero of the game, hitting a grand slam in the early innings.

Incidentally, the Broadview Detachment are still looking for their first win. They are hoping for at least one victory before the hockey season begins.

4-H REPORT

MUSKEG LAKE

4-H Leader Arlene Lafond reports that the camping trip held on June 27-28 was a big success. Held in the hills within the band pasture, several parents took the chance to come out and join in the activities as well. On July 15th, the 4-H Club held a bake sale and made \$90.00. Outdoor cookery is popular. The club will operate a food booth at the Indian Summer Games to be held at Muskeg Lake in late August.

PATUANAK

The 4-H Club closed off their year with a picnic on a sand beach. Doesn't that sound good?

STANLEY MISSION

A display of 4-H work was shown on the last day of school. Thanks 4-H leaders!

4-H TELEVISION SHOW

CKBI TV, Prince Albert, did a special feature on the Indian 4-H Program in late July.

PEEPEEKESIS 4-H CLUB TO TRAVEL IN EASTERN CANADA

On August 2nd, 15 members of the Peepeekesis 4-H Club will fly to New Brunswick. The group will be hosted in the Atlantic province by the Tobac Reserve.

To date, the young people have been raising their spending money by selling 'Pot of Gold' cards and seeking donations from committees on the reserve.

The exchange group includes: Dorothy Desnomie, Cheryl Desnomie, Brian Desnomie, Douglas Desnomie, Lyle Desnomie, William Desnomie, Sonia McKay, Sandra McKay, Karen McKay, Joseph McKay, Wayne Poitras, Michael Walker, Sandra Ironquill, Lois Ironquill, and David Bird. Chaperone will be 4-H leader Noella McKay.

The 4-H'ers will stay at their guests homes until August 9th when the exchange is completed by everyone returning to Saskatchewan. At that

time, the Malaseet band youth will be hosted by their Peepeekesis friends. The exchange ends August 16th.

EDITOR'S NOTE:

If anyone is interested in such an exchange, please contact the Indian 4-H Program at 343-5529.

4-H LEADERS RECEIVE RECOGNITION

Every 4-H leader with the Indian 4-H Program receives a certificate and date seal for each year their club completes their projects (s).

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(The following story appeared in Grain News and previously in a bulletin of the Canadian Association for the Mentally Retarded, It's a good one - fitting in well with the International Year of the Disabled.)

Paul (a friend of any of us) got a new car from his brother as a Christmas present. On Christmas Eve, near dusk, when Paul came out of his house, he noticed a little boy admiring his shiny new car. "Is this your car?", he asked. Paul nodded, "Yep. My brother gave it to me for Christmas."

The little boy was amazed. "You mean your brother gave it to you and it cost you no money at all! Boy, I wish . . . " - he cut short. Paul knew what he was going to wish - " . . . that he had a brother like that". But what the boy said surprised my friend.

"I wish," the boy went on, "that I could be a brother like that."

Paul looked at the boy in astonishment, then added, "Would you like a ride in my car?"

"Oh, yes. I'd love that."

After driving a ways, the boy turned and asked "Would you mind driving in front of my place and waiting a minute?" Paul smiled. He knew what the boy wanted - to brag a bit in front of his family and friends. But my friend was wrong again.

When the car had stopped the boy got out and ran into the house. In the low light, Paul could hear him coming back, but he wasn't walking too fast. He was carrying his little handicapped brother. "There it is, just like I told you. His brother gave it to him. Some day, I'm gonna give you one just like it . . . then you can see for yourself all the pretty things in the store windows that I've been telling you about."

Paul got out and lifted the little fellow to the front seat beside him. The happy-faced older brother jumped in and the three of them began a memorable holiday ride.

RURAL SAFETY

Farm Safety Week occurs across Canada the last week of July. Let's think about accidents that have happened.

- about 250 children under 5 years are involved in accidents annually as a result of adults being careless with chemicals.
- about 175 people die each year in Canada as a result of farm accidents 24 in Saskatchewan.

Let's now think about farm safety measures that can happen now:

- fasten safety belts
- keep safety guards in place when using tools and machinery
- install fire extinguishers in buildings, vehicles and selfpropelled tractors and equipment
- protect children from open water and chemicals
- protect your eyes and body with proper protection equipment

PRINCE ALBERT STUDENTS 4-H GARDEN CLUB

Cucumbers, watermelon, cabbage and many regular vegetables are growing in Prince Albert these days. You can imagine the size of garden necessary for over 80 4-H members!

4-H AND YOUTH GARDEN COMPETITION

Following are the reserves and

numbers (in brackets) that registered to plant a garden:

Prince Albert

rince Albert	
P.A. Students Residence Montreal Lake	(83) (1)
Fort Qu'Appelle	
Peepeekesis Fishing Lake	(3)
North Battleford	
Sweetgrass Little Pine Onion Lake Red Pheasant	(12) (20) (8) (10)
Saskatoon	
Mistawasis Muskoday One Arrow Muskeg Lake Nut Lake Chagoness	(18) (3) (35) (12) (5)
Yorkton	
Kahkewistahaw Sakimay Key Keeseekoose Cowessess	(2) (14) (3) (13) (6)



Greg Carter, Onion Lake Beef Club, at St. Walburg Fat Stock Show/Sale — June 1981.



Onion Lake 4-H Beef Club. (I-r): Elaine Carter, Clayton Carter, Greg Carter, and Lenny Carter.



CANADA'S ROLE IN NATIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Over the years many organizations throughout Canada have learned a great deal from the experiences of organizations in other countries. Fortunately this summer, Canada has had the privilege of reversing this role by hosting a four-week tour for Mr. Bill Gray, Assistant Secretary in charge of Aboriginal Economic Policy in Australia. During his visit, Mr. Gray met with government, industry, indigenous groups and communities throughout the country. His purpose was to obtain a balanced view of Canadian experiences with regard to negotiating and settling land claims and considering opportunities for participation of indigenous people in economic development.

Besides his position as the Assistant Secretary reporting to the Minister of Aboriginal Affairs, Mr. Gray is also the Departmental Advisor to the Minister on aboriginal land rights and heads the branch responsible for policy development on land rights Australia-wide. His tour of our country in an effort to understand economic development in relation to Indians, Inuit, Metis and Non-Status Indians will therefore be very beneficial to his responsibilities back home. One organization in particular, the Saskatchewan Indian Agriculture Program (SIAP), has proved extremely valuable to Mr. Gray in his respect.

"The main focus of my tour through out Canada has been in the area of land claim settlements and resource development. SIAP falls into the latter area", said the Assistant Secretary. "Economic development is enhanced by organizations such as these which provide regional assistance and can be measured by the number of Saskatchewan native people participating in private enterprises such as farming establishments. Much thanks, I'm sure, can be attributed to the people at SIAP."

Bill Gray's visit with SIAP consisted of an introduction to program personnel at the main office in Regina, followed by a guided tour of Saskatchewan's Starblanket Reserve. The tour itself was designed to assure the visiting delegate the opportunity to meet and speak with individuals



(L to R) Australian Delegate Bill Gray, Chief of the Starblanket reserve, Gerry Starr and SIAP Program Manager Ken Thomas, stop to view the development of Indian Agriculture on the Starblanket reserve.

directly involved in the program; SIAP Board of Directors, Agricultural Representatives and Indian farmers, as well as enabling him to take in some of Saskatchewan's countryside.

On behalf of the Saskatchewan Indian Agriculture Program, Gerry Starr, Farm Manager of the Starblanket Reserve and Chairman of the SIAP Board of Directors, says that they are proud to have been given the opportunity to host this tour and be part of Mr. Gray's expedition to Canada. "We can only hope", reflects Starr, "that through his visit, Mr. Gray has obtained as much valuable and beneficial information from us as we have from him."

Fortunately, thanks to the many organizations in Canada and to SIAP in particular, Bill Gray did return to Australia enriched with the experiences of our country. According to Gray, many of these experiences will prove very useful in assisting him in his efforts to devise equitable and workable relations between government, industry and aboriginal people in his country.

"My tour has been very fruitful and beneficial where the Starblanket Reserve is concerned", states Grav. "I am very much impressed with the operations of SIAP, the successes it has achieved in Saskatchewan and the enthusiasm it has generated within the community. I am sure that Australia will be more than interested in these experiences and I will certainly be drawing attention to the techniques utilized by the program and to these people directly responsible for carrying them out."

MEETING HALFWAY

Ancestors of the John Smith Band began farming establishments in Saskatchewan in the late 1850's . . . they, and countless other Indians throughout the province. They worked our land and struggled to survive in what was then a difficult economic environment. Today, over 100 years later, agricultural technology has improved, but the problems looming over these farmers remain the same.

Fortunately, however, Saskatchewan Indian farmers are no longer forced to face these difficulties alone. Through the ongoing support of the Saskatchewan Indian Agriculture Program (SIAP), they are met halfway by financial institutions, funding organizations and agribusinesses throughout the province. Today, they have access to the financial assistance and advice needed to defend themselves in what has fast become a battlefield in the agricultural industry.

Even as skyrocketing interest rates

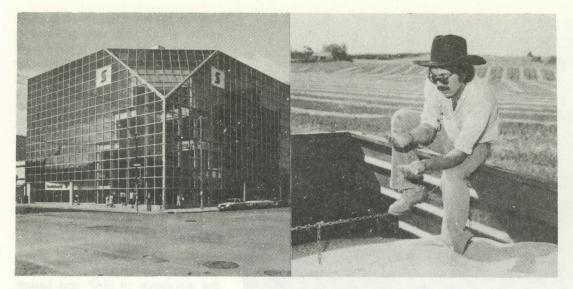
threaten the economy, as equipment costs shoot to unprecedented heights and the possibility of drought and other natural disasters impede their chances to survive, even facing these difficulties. Indian farmers continue to grow and prosper as successful businessmen in our province.

From 1972 to 1979, the total acres utilized by these farmers increased from 108,000 to 247,000; a difference of 128.7%. Total cash farm incomes grew from \$3,560,000 to \$8,645,000. Per/unit gross incomes boosted from a meagre \$3,560 to \$25,400. "And," says one SIAP Credit Advisor, "with the continued efforts of these Indian farmers coupled with the assistance of SIAP and Saskatchewan's financial community, it is our expectation that these incomes will rise to \$35,000, the national farm income average, by 1982."

For five years SIAP's field and finance staff have been providing financial counselling and advice to Indian farmers. And, for the past two, they have been active participants in ongoing negotiations with lending organizations throughout the province. Their objective: to act as mediators for the purpose of initiating mutually beneficial funding packages between the two groups. And, to date their success has been considerable.

Two years ago, in 1979, SIAP representatives began discussions and negotiations for their first financing agreements with the Bank of Nova Scotia and the Bank of Commerce. Discussions exploring the varied avenues of assistance to be adopted to help Saskatchewan Indian farmers tackle the obstacles of today's unstable economic environment. Six to seven months later these agreements were finalized.

Commitments were made by these lending institutions to provide funds to those Indian farmers meeting routine loan criteria. And, in return, SIAP agreed to extend a partial guarantee in the eventuality of a default on loan payments. Because the Indian Act stipulates that it is unlawful to take personal security on Indian reserves, this guarantee represents the banks' only protection for their investments. In short, SIAP is required to cover 20 percent of outstanding payments for all loans provided to those farmers recom-



Saskatchewan's lending institutions and Saskatchewan's Indian farmers ... meeting halfway.

mended by the SIAP credit review board.

In total, Saskatchewan Indian farmers have received an excess of \$800,000 under these conditions. And, the default rate on these loans has been less than one percent. This represents a considerable accomplishment when viewed against the loan losses suffered by almost all financial organizations over the past year, which has enabled both new and existing farmeng farmers to prosper and consolidate their own economically viable farm units.

Three years ago, for example, due to the lack of resources, one band farm was forced to lease out over 3,000 acres of its reserve land to non-Indian farmers. Today, however, as a result of available financing, this land has been returned and individuals from this band now have access to sufficient funds to buy equipment and work their fields.

Also, through the efforts of SIAP and its farm financial program, 30 to 40 individuals who were previously non-farmers now own and operate their own agricultural establishments, most of which are 300 to 700 acres in size.

SIAP's field and finance staff have enjoyed a great number of resounding successes with regard to their farm financial program. Today, their negotiations are directed toward expanding present agreements to cover farm equipment financing and extending the program to include other banks and credit unions throughout the province. Preliminary discussions proposing the possibility of special deals when buying sup-

plies in bulk are in effect with fertilizer and chemical dealers, as well as similar agreements with major implement distributors such as Case and John Deer. And, this is just the beginning.

Through the sincere involvement and ongoing support on the part of SIAP representatives, Indian

agriculture production in Saskatchewan will remain on the increase; farm management and technology will become even more advanced, and Saskatchewan's banks, lending institutions and agribusinesses will continue to meet halfway the Indian farmers of our province.

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Art Irvine

Zero tillage offers new challenges. Zero tillage is planting into untilled stubble with minimum soil disturbance in combination with chemical weed control where necessary. It depends on the use of herbicides for weed control and a heavy seeder with good clearance for direct seeding.

Advantages include time and fuel savings, plant residues protecting the soil against wind and water erosion, moisture conservation, reduced tillage equipment investment and retaining optimum soil organic matter levels. Fuel and machinery price increases and the cost and scarcity of skilled farm labour are other reasons for increased interest in zero tillage.

Disadvatages include acquiring proper equipment, increased herbicide expenses, difficult trash control, seeding and fertilizer application and increased insect and disease problems.

Previous difficulties include inadequate seeding equipment and questionable herbicides. Zero tillage equipment has improved. Improved herbicides are now available to control grassy type and perennial weeds. Additional research is still required to improve seed drills for better seed and fertilizer placement, to determine the best rotation for different areas and to improve the cost and effectiveness of applicable herbicides.

Zero tillage machinery

requirements include a tractor, seeder, harrows, sprayer and harvest equipment. A special seeder is required.

In zero tillage nitrogen requirements may be heavy. Nitrogen fertilizer is usually broadcast before and after seeding. This is an inefficient method. Present zero-tillage seeders will not sideband fertilizer.

Harvest operations are similar to conventional cropping systems, although greater emphasis is necessary for trash and chaff spreading. Straight combining can be used to advantage in some instances. Fall stubble must be removed or evenly distributed. The straw can be baled or spread by a modified properly adjusted straw chopper and by using a special harrow.

Fall weed control is important to minimize crop competition in the spring. Weed control before crop immergence is also important.

Many farmers in the black soil zone have been continuous cropping. Extended cropping with minimum tillage is the logical first step toward zero tillage. In the black soil zone a high annual precipitation is combined with low evaporation, profitable flax and rape production can be used to minimize straw handling problems, frequent cultivation of summerfallow is costly and chemical weed control provides large savings.

Zero tillage may be suitable for some parts of the brown and dark brown soil zones. Some areas could benefit from efficient mositure practices and minimizing salination and erosion problems. Chemical summerfallow could be used where moisture is lacking.

Zero tillage is not suitable for all areas of the province. Detailed information is available at your nearest Agricultural Representative's office. Use this service. It is provided for your use and benefit.



VIEWPOINT VIEWPOINT VIEWPOINT

by Art Irvine

The international financial system is a set of arrangements that exists between the world's important financial institutions to facilitate the international flow of goods, services and capital. Countries sell goods and services to each other and store their wealth in paper currency until such time as they wish to exchange the currency for other goods and services. The system smooths out the time patterns of global consumption and production.

Goods and services are exchanged for paper currency that is worth only as much as the word of the issuer of the paper. Printing additional paper currency, for example, deflates the value of the currency. OPEC and other oil rich nations are having second thoughts about selling oil for paper currency. The international financial system depends to a considerable degree on the financial faith participants have in each other. Problems arise when such faith is misplaced.

Oil is one notable exception to the convention that the buying country pays the selling country in the selling country's currency. In most cases the currency of trade is the United States dollar. Several countries hold their reserves in United States dollars and manage the value of their currency in terms of it. The United States is the monetary cornerstone of the international financial system. No other currency has the prestige and acceptability to replace it. Destruction of the United States dollar would seriously effect all significant participants of the international financial system.

The world faces continual oil price increases, recessions in various forms and high interest rates. Theoretically, a floating exchange rate system exists but many countries manipulate their currencies to establish values

consistent with national economic objectives. The capacity of the private banking system is often limited by its already enormous holdings in lesser developed countries. The western banking system has close to 400 billion dollars in lesser developed country debt, some of which must be rated worrisome.

OPEC is likely to continue pushing the price of oil up. This is not an encouraging prospect. At the extreme there could be an outright collapse of the international financial system, the United States dollar as we know it, and some western financial institutions. It is always important to look at situations as they exist and make decisions accordingly. It is fruitless to bask in the imaginary illusion that all is well when it obviously is not. The consequences of such an approach are often brutal and unnecessary.

There are limits to the number of shocks and jolts any system can withstand. World economies should take immediate action to remove themselves, to the greatest possible extent, from dependence on the continued price increases of imported oil.

Regardless of circumstances there is always individual opportunity. Those who have recognized that oil prices would continue to rise, and that government incentives and rising oil prices would result in new oil discoveries, have been placing their bets directly into oil stocks. Their returns have been dramatic. particularly when purchases were made following periodic declines in the stock market. This investment opportunity will no doubt continue until it becomes obvious world supplies are running out or, the use of oil and gas will be replaced by other forms of energy.

WHAT CAN WE DO FOR YOU? WHAT CAN WE DO FOR YOU? WHAT CAN WE DO FOR YOU?

We are enlisting your help in making **The Saskatchewan Indian** the kind of paper you would like it to be.

Keeping in mind the primary objective of the paper (to be supportive of all Bands and their Federation by providing you with any information — local, provincial and national — which may prove relevant to any Band's operation), we also attempt to educate the non-Indian readers regarding Indian culture and happenings.

We are asking that you forward to us any comments you may have with a view to enhancing our newsmagazine — constructive criticism is most welcome. (It is not necessary to sign your response if you would rather not).

- 1) Do you read the paper regularly? Why or Why not?
- 2) Does the paper usually have enough stories about your District? Your reserve?
- 3) Should there be more information about local and district politics? provincial? national?
- 4) Should there be more provincial and national news?
- 5) Would you like to see a greater emphasis on Indian culture and tradition? In what form?
- 6) Do you have sufficient access to your district reporter through your district representative?
- 7) What do you consider the best feature of the Saskatchewan Indian?
- 8) What do you like most about the paper? (for example content, layout, design, cover, etc).
- 9) What do you like least about it?
- 10) General comments:

Thank you for your interest.

Please forward your comments to:

Donna Phillips Acting Director, fsimc Box 3085 Saskatoon, Sasktchewan S7K 3S9

Fifth Generation

Survey

MORE HELP NEEDED . . . to meet your expectations regarding **Fifth Generation**, our weekly television program. Presently seen from 4 stations (CKCK - Regina, CKBI, Prince Albert, TELECABLE 10, Saskatoon, TELECABLE - North Battleford), plans are to extend our broadcast field during the 1981-82 season, finances permitting.

As with all fsimc production (The Saskatchewan Indian and Moccasin Telegraph) Fifth Generation is intended as a vehicle: (1) to inform all Indian people within the province of social, economic and political issues relevant to the Bands, and (2) to educate the non-Indian viewers on all things relevant to traditional and contemporary Indian life.

Please forward to us your concerns — beefs and bouquets — to assist us adequate delivery of this service to you.

- 1) Does your local station carry Fifth Generation?
- 2) What television stations are you able to get?
- 3) If possible, do you watch the program regularly?
- 4) Do you feel the format is acceptable? If not, how would you change it?
- 5) Do you feel there is enough variety of content?
- 6) What or who would you like to see more of?
- 7) Since the program is intended as culturally oriented, what are your suggestions regarding content?
- 8) What do you like best about Fifth Generation? Least?

We take this opportunity to inform you that any program aired in the Fifth Generation series is shelved in our video-tape library and available for viewing.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Donna Phillips
Acting Director, fsimc
Box 3085
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan S7K 3S9

WHAT CAN WE DO FOR YOU?

Mocassin Telegraph Survey

To assist us in making additional changes to enhance Moccasin Telegraph, we ask that you respond to the following questions and forward any comments to us.

1) Do you listen to Moccasin Telegraph regularly?

□yes □no

- 2) From what radio station?
- 3) Does having some of the announcing in Cree benefit people in your community?
- 4) Does the program provide enough district (local) news? provincial? national?
- 5) What kinds of topics would you like to hear radio stories about? (for example nutrition and health; cultural topics like legends, when appropriate; district meetings, etc).
- 6) Do you enjoy hearing Pow-wow music on the program? What other kinds of music, if any, would you like to hear?
- 7) What do you like best about Moccasin Telegraph? Least?
- 8) Géneral comments:

Thank you for assisting us in Program Planning.

Please forward your comments to:

Donna Phillips
Acting Director, fsimc
Box 3085
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan S7K 3S9

WOMEN . . . THE OTHER HALF IN A TEAM APPROACH TO FARMING

by Brenda Keer

Evelyn Johnstone, homemaker, gardener, and wife of one of Saskatchewan's pioneer farmers; Marion Johnstone, mother of four, president of the Mistawasis Home Ec club, and chief cook and animal tender during seeding and harvesting; Arlene Lefond, full-time housewife, part-time farmer and bookkeeper, and second-year student at the University of Saskatchewan's School of Agriculture in Saskatoon.

Three dedicated wives of Indian farmers who divide their time between duties in the home and operations on the farm. Three wives, representative of a growing number throughout Saskatchewan, who recognize the need for a 'Team Approach' to farming; The need for husband and wife to put forth a joint effort in an attempt to produce an economically viable and progressive farm unit — an establishment capable of surviving in what has become the extremely technical and diversified world of agriculture.

Farmers, especially those first beginning, find themselves investing a great deal of time and money in up-to-date farming techniques and expensive equipment. As a result, the first few years for new farmers are shaky ones. They become a 'sink of swim' situation requiring strong backing and support from the family. Or, as Joanne Karasiuk, home economist for the Saskatchewan Indian Agriculture Program, puts it . . . "It is an effort requiring a 'team approach' from both husband and wife."

The 'Team Approach' is a philosophy adopted by SIAP's homemaking program stressing agriculture as a unique industry where success becomes dependent on the support of family and friends. Home economists travel to reserves throughout the province, organizing classes and working with individuals in an attempt to encourage women to play a greater role in the operation of the farm and to provide input into finances in addition to their duties in the household.

These classes, covering such topics as gardening, farm and household record keeping and food preservation, are also tailored to help promote agriculture on reserves, improve the standard of living of individuals and families and publicize and expand SIAP's program so that it reaches a greater percentage of reserve population. To date, it has proved extremely successful. The result — a growing number of women on reserves throughout Saskatchewan with dedication and drive equal to that of Evelyn Johnstone, Marion Johnstone, and Arlene Lefond.

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Marion Johnstone, of the Mistawasis Reserve, is a wife to one, mother of four and homemaker to many, especially during seeding and harvesting. Marion and her husband Pat are yet another Indian couple who have adopted the 'Team Approach' to farming. When Pat is busy in the fields during seeding and harvesting, Marion takes over the task of caring for their chickens and cattle, and preparing meals for all the hired men. This is in addition to her numerous everyday tasks around the house.

"Feeding all the workers during the harvesting and seeding seasons is a full time job in itself," says Mrs. Johnstone. "This year during seeding, I fed twelve men, myself, and four children. I started lunch around ten in the morning and by the time everyone was fed and the kitchen cleaned, it was just about time to begin with the dinner preparations."

Although the major portion of Marion's contributions are put forth during seeding and harvesting (their busiest seasons), she also partakes in a number of other activities designed to help out with the farm and improve her role in its operations. At present, she dedicates much of her time to caring for her pet, a twin-calf, and working with a number of women on the reserve as president of their Home Economics Club. A club which according to Mrs. Johnstone . . . "was established by the ladies themselves but utilizes the many services and facilities offered by the SIAP homemaking program."



The extra attention and special care Marion Johnstone gives this twin calf is only a small part of her overall contribution to the farm.



Evelyn Johnstone and husband Norman first started farming 50 years ago. Times were tough in those days. Money was scarce and establishing a farm was by no means an easy task. Still, Evelyn stresses the independence and self-sufficiency demonstrated by Norman and herself in those early years.

"Fifty years ago, we lived in a one-room house, had ten head of cattle, chickens, a barn and horses," reflects Mrs. Johnstone. "When things got hard on the farm I helped Norman. We're proud of the fact that we never asked for assistance. We were independent and today we have a fruitful farm to show for it."

In addition to raising her 10 children and managing farm finances, Evelyn helped out by milking the cows while Norman was busy in the fields. Later, when expansion of the farm became necessary, she set out to help her husband clear fields and burn bush . . . she worked along side him in a joint effort to help develop their land into a viable and prosperous establishment. And, the results of her efforts have been more than encouraging.

Today, the land is owned and farmed by their children, but Norman, now chief of the Mistawasis Reserve, still lends a hand whenever needed. Evelyn, too, remains a great asset to the farm. Her time is dedicated to



This bumper crop of rhubarb is a prime indication of the hard work and meticulous care Evelyn Johnstone directs towards her garden.

managing the homestead, offering homemaking tips to other women on the reserve and tending her vegetable garden . . . much of which is aided by the services of the SIAP Home Economics Program.



Arlene Lefond and husband Elvis have two children and own a hog farming establishment on the Muskeg Lake Reserve. The Lefond's represent yet another couple who have recognized the value of working together, side-by-side, in an effort to build a progressive farm unit.

Once again, most of Arlene's assistance is provided during seeding and harvesting. When Elvis is busily working the fields, she tends to their livestock, helps with



When tramping through a coop with 300 chickens and 25 turkeys, overalls and a baseball cap become a regular part of Arlene Lefond's working apparel.



In the Lefond household, farm finances is a 'family affair'.

the financial bookkeeping, tackles the vegetable garden and cares for the homestead.

In addition to all of these activities (ones which keep her extremely busy) Arlene boasts one more notable accomplishment. This fall, she will be entering her second consecutive year at the University of Saskatchewan's School of Agriculture in Saskatoon.

With the rising interest rates, changing technology and other such obstacles facing farmers and Indian farmers alike, the need to increase the efficiency of a farming establishment is essential. Going to school is therefore Arlene's way of keeping step with these constant changes, and enabling her to have a greater input into the operations of the farm.

"From my experience, young farmers today become more successful and have a greater chance of surviving if the wife is supportive and helps out on the farm", states Mrs. Lefond. "However, it works both ways. I help Elvis in the summer during seeding and harvesting and Elvis in turn gives a hand with the household chores in the winter when I'm attending school."



These experiences are by no means limited to Evelyn Johnstone, Marion Johnstone and Arlene Lefond. More and more, this need for family support is becoming recognized as an essential factor in the success of all farming establishments. And, with the continued enthusiasm of women such as these, coupled with the assistance and efforts of SIAP, and in particular, the Home Economics Program, it can be expected that the 'Team Approach' will soon become a regular practice among Indian farmers throughout Saskatchewan.

THE TROUBLE WITH MELANCHOLY

Melancholy, melancholy Find some other place to dwell. Melancholy, melancholy Leave this troubled soul. Melancholy, melancholy Why plague a lonely man? Melancholy, melancholy Please take away your troublesome spell. Melancholy, melancholy You've lost your mystique. Melancholy, melancholy Now that you're gone it's pleasant enough to think . . .

by D. G. Merasty

THE RITUAL

Standing in the corner With all the pretty, single girls Looking elegant and desirable All prettied up for all the boys to see.

Acting nonchalant while you view the crowd Searching in the sea of faces For a prospective lover All prettied up for all the boys to see.

Glancing in your direction Hoping to get your approval Some acknowledgement, a nod, a smile any gesture will suffice All prettied up for all the boys to see.

The crowd has thinned Just about everyone has completed the ritual Woe is me, you're nowhere to be seen You're all prettied up for all the boys to see.

by D.G. Merasty

A ROMANCER'S CRY

Only but a glance It took to enhance The illusions of love and some distant romance Lady if we but took a chance.

Might I for a moment lust Thinking the dream should never bust How easy it is for romance to be unjust Shattering the pleasures felt and scattering them like dust

A glimpse restores hope That someday I can encircle thee with the imaginary rope And in darkness we will grope Later in romantic disillusionment we mope

Where is that flame?
Which made us dance without shame
It was, it is here and it became part of the lover's game
Without romance who could we possible blame . . .

by D.G. Merasty

KEEPING SCORE

In the dark shadows they stand, arm in arm Her, decked out with all her womanly charm Her first love had opened up a bitter sore And she meant to even up the score

Night becomes dawn Baby wonders, where is momma gone Baby begins to shrill While momma's out trying to get her thrill

Someone fell madly in love with her But he was just another sucker Baby cries The young man's love slowly dies

With foolish eagerness he played the lover's game With a young and restless dame
They parted because she didn't want to hurt no more By hurting him she had intended to even up the score.

by D.G. Merasty

ONCE UPON A LOSER

He's a boozer Somewhat of an overnight loser Craving fame But no one knows his name.

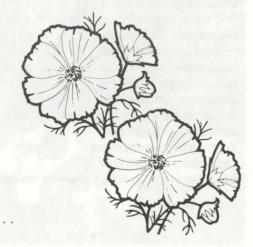
He thought he could have been rich Now he looks for empties in a ditch Unperturbed by the misery He thinks of it as somewhat of a mystery.

Life is never simple but complex Mistakes perplex Those seekers who fall along the way With their distress they pay.

Victims of their own circumstance Often challenged by chance No one masters their own destiny For one's life time is minute and tiny.

So we have our losers
Who become the chronic boozers
Living a ridiculous lie
Till they eventually die . . .

by D.G. Merasty



.PEN PALS . PEN PALS . PEN PALS .

Please TYPE or PRINT neatly all letters.

Due to limited space, we can only accept letters from writers aged SIXTEEN and UNDER Due to space requirements, some letters must be held for insertion in upcoming issues.

Hil My name is Margret Badger. I am 15 years old. I would like to hear from boys or girls aged 14 to 18. My hobbies are disco dancing, roller-skating, pow-wow dancing and volleyball.

Margret Badger
Box 682
Kamsack, Saskatchewan
SOA 1SO

Tansil My name is Wally. I'm 15 years old. My main interests include: writing letters and such sports as volleyball, hockey and baseball. I would like to correspond with my people, between the ages of 13 and 16 (girls preferably). Please write: Wally Watetch c/o Kamp Klahanie 125 Champlain Drive Regina, Saskatchewan SOM 4Z1

Hil My name is Lisa (Weezee). I would like to hear from boys and girls between the ages of 13 and 15. My hobbies include: dancing, listening to the radio and going to dances, etc. I'll answer all letters. Lisa LeCaine 2307 Robinson Street Regina, Saskatchewan

Hil My name is Marie. I would like to hear from girls and mostly boys, between the ages of 15 and 16. My hobbies are: dancing, listening to music, etc. I'll try to answer all letters.

Marie LeCaine 2307 Robinson Street Regina, Saskatchewan

Tansil My name is Vera, and I would like to hear from boys and girls between the ages of 13 and 15. My hobbies are roller skating, swimming, soccer and more. I would like a penpal for my sister Valerie as well. Vera and Valerie Cachene Box 1065
Wynyard, Saskatchewan

Hil My name is Rita Crookedneck. I would like to hear from boys or girls between the ages of 9 and 12. My hobbies are: soccer, art, swimming, and going to round dances. I will answer all letters.

Rita Crookedneck
Box 276,

Box 276, Pierceland, Saskatchewan SOM 2K0

Hil My name is Darren King. I am 10 years old. I attend the Connaught school in the city of North Battleford. I am in Grade 4. I like playing hockey, baseball and tag football. I would like to hear from girls and boys. Please send your letters to: Darren King 11312 - 9th Avenue

North Battleford, Saskatchewan S9A 2N9

Hi! My name is Lisa Sanderson. I would like pen pals. My hobbies are: horseback riding, roller-skating, basketball, and much more. Lisa Sanderson Box 1988

Prince Albert, Sask., S6V 6K1.

Hi! My name is Laverna Twist. I am 10 years old. I would like to have pen pals about my age group. My hobbies are: disco dancing, going to pow-wows, roller-skating, singing, etc.

Laverna Twist Box 70 Punnichy, Sask., SOA 3CO.

Howdy! My name is Shelly Anderson. I would like to correspond with boys or girls between the ages of 10-12. My hobbies are: listening to music, roller-skating, etc. Shelly Anderson Box 70 Punnichy, Sask., SOA 3CO.

Tansil My name is Lorraine G. Kirkness. I am 15 years old. I would like to hear from (mostly boys). My hobbies are: hockey, baking, sewing, curling, and must more. Lorraine G. Kirkness 919 - Broadway Avenue Saskatoon, Sask., S7N 1B8.

Hil My name is Doreen Tony. I would like to correspond with boys and girls between the ages of 13-16. My hobbies are: horseback riding, all sports, meeting new people, etc. Doreen Tony Box 190

or Box 412 Kelvington, Sask., SOA 1W0.

Lestock, Sask., SOA 2GO

Hellol My name is Debbie Severight. I am 14 years old. I would like to hear from any pen pals who are interested in corresponding. My hobbies are: all sports, listening to records, etc.

Debbie Severight
Box 842
Kamsack, Sask., SOA 1SO.

Hi! My name is Corinne Badger. I am 14 year old. I also would like to hear from any pen pals who are interested to write to me. My hobbies are: listening to music, dancing, going places, etc. Corinne Badger Box 682 Kamsack, Sask., SOA 1SO.

Howdy! My name is Brenda Longman. I would like to hear from boys or girls between the ages of 10-13. My hobbies are: attending pow-wows, roller-skating, and much more.
Brenda Longman
Punnichy, Sask., SOA 3CO.

Hi! My name is Arnie Neapetung. I am 16 years old. I would like to hear from girls about my age. My hobbies are: baseball, basketball, most sports, and much more. Arnold Neapetung Box 70

Punnichy, Sask., SOA 3CO.

Hil My name is Crystal Sunchild. I am 7 years old. I would like to have pen pals between the ages of 7-10 years old. My hobbies are: skating, softball, other sports.
Crystal Sunchild

Box 503 St. Walburg, Sask., SOM 2TO. Hil My name is Denise Pasap. I am 14 years old. I would like penpals of any age. I wouldn't mind if I had someone write from a correctional centre. My hobbies are music, dancing, meeting people and more. Write to:

Denise Pasap 4138 Dewdney Regina, Saskatchewan

Hellol My name is Ruby Langan. I am 14 years old. I would like to have pen pals boys or girls in my age group. My hobbies are: all sports, listening to records, going to powwows, ect.
Ruby Langan
11 - McNaughton Avenue
Regina, Sask., S4R 4L9.

Hello! My name is Karen S. Jimmy. I am 16 years old. I want pals! pals! pals!. My interests are: flag football, hockey, dancing pow-wow, and much more. Karen S. Jimmy Box 422 Turtleford. Sask., SOM 2YO.

Tansil My name is Rhonda H. Cardinal. I am 16 years old. I want some pals too. My hobbies are: bead-work, baking, and much more. Rhonda Cardinal

General Delivery Onion Lake, Sask., SOM 0E0.

Hil My name is Doreen Cannepotato. I am 12 years old. I would like to correspond with both boys or girls about my age group. My hobbies are: meeting new people, listening to music, all sports, and much more. Doreen Cannepotato General Delivery Onion Lake, Sask., SOM 2EO.

Tansi! My name is Corrine Bitternose. I would like to correspond with both boys or girls between the ages of 13-15. My hobbies: biking, roller-skating, dancing, etc. Corrine Bitternose c/o Gordon Residence Box 70 Punnichy, Sask., SOA 3CO.

Hil My name is Bonny. I am 16 years old. I would like to correspond with both boys or girls about my age group. My interests are: attending pow-wows, meeting new people, etc.

Bonny Brass P.O. Box 336 Norquay, Sask., SOA 2VO.

Hil My name is Dextor. I would like to have pals (mostly girls). My interests are: enjoy going to dances, meeting (girls), attending pow-wows, rodeos, horse back-riding. Dextor Brass Box 263
Norquay, Sask., SOA 2VO.

Hil My name is Ronalda. I would like to have pen pals, between the ages of 13-16. My interests are: all sports, travelling, dancing, and much more. Ronalda Brass

Ronalda Brass Box 263 Norquay, Sask., SOA 2VO.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES



Open to both men and women Appel de candidatures mixtes



Canada Service Canada Dubique

1. REGIONAL DIRECTOR (PC 331-166-001) INDIAN AND INUIT AFFAIRS

Salary: \$34,000 - \$41,500 plus an Isolated Post

Allowance.

Ref. No.: 81-SM-PSC/IAN-NWT-YK-OC-121

Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development Yellowknife, N.W.T.

Duties

Directs the planning and implementation of Indian and Inuit Affairs Branch Programs and Services for the Dene in the N.W.T. This involves establishing and maintaining effective working relationships with Dene Bands and organizations, other levels of government and private organizations; assessing socio-economic needs of the Dene in the N.W.T. and supervising staff and operations.

Successful completion of secondary school or equivalency. Significant experience in Program Management related to social or economic programs; experience in working with Native People and various levels of Government and experience in supervision of staff. Knowledge of English is essential.

Desirable Qualification: The ability to speak a Native Language relevant to the N.W.T. (Dogrib, Slavey, Loucheux, Chippewayen)

Note: An Isolated Post Allowance applies, up to \$4,524 depending on Family status. Crown-owned housing is available. A Pre-employment medical is required and a comprehensive employee benefit package is offered.

Additional job information is available by telephoning Paul Burkholder at 403-873-3525

Toute information relative à ce concours est disponible en français et peut-être obtenue en communiquant avec Paul Burkholder à 403-873-3525

2. ASSISTANT DIRECTOR (PC 331-180-008) NON-RENEWABLE RESOURCES NORTHERN AFFAIRS PROGRAM

Salary: \$34,000 - \$41,500 Plus An Isolated Post

Ref. No.: 81-SM-PSC/IAN-YK-OC-033

Duties

Accountable for the administration of mining lands, the provision of geological service, the protection of the health and safety of oil rig workers, the conservation of mineral and hydrocarbon resources and protection of the environment. Manages the human and financial ressources of the Division. Liaises extensively with the mining and petroleum industry, with other levels of government and with various federal government departments.

Qualifications

Completion of secondary school with additional training in one of the fields of natural science or in engineering. Significant practical experience in administration at a middle management level. Experiences in the Non-Renewable Resources development field. Knowledge of English is essential.

How to apply

Send your application form and/or résumé to

c/o Paul Burkholder **Public Service Commission of Canada** Northwest Territories District Office 9th Floor, Precambrian Building 4922 - 52nd Street Yellowknife, Northwest Territories XOE 1H0

Pleace quote the applicable reference number at all times. Candidates are encouraged to use the telephone or by using telex 034-45622 to apply.

JOB OPPORTUNITY



Health & Social Services Task Force

Federation of Saskatchewan Indians 107-Hodsman Road Regina, Saskatchewan S4N 5W5 Telephone: 949-8100 • 949-8101 949-8102 • 949-8103

POSITION: Secretary

DUTIES:

- · Typing.
- · Maintaining files of all information gathered by the Task Force.
- · Previewing all in-coming mail.
- · Answering mail under the direction of the Director.
- · Answering and making phone calls.
- · Setting up appointments.
- Answering the general inquiries regarding the Health & Social Services Task Force.
- · Taking minutes of meetings.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Accurate and rapid shorthand.
- · Accurate and rapid typing skills.
- · Efficient telephone mannerisms.
- · Free to travel.
- · Experienced person required.
- Priority will be given to those candidates who have a common knowledge and understanding of the history, traditions, cultures and values of Indian people and knowledge of Indian Treaty rights.

SALARY: Negotiable.

COMMENCING DATE: As soon as possible.

PLEASE SUBMIT LETTER OF APPLICATION AND RESUME TO:

Mr. Henry Delorme, Director, Health & Social Services Task Force, Federation of Saskatchewan Indians, 107 Hodsman Road, Regina, Saskatchewan

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Saskatchewan Indian Federatd College has available, to any Indian or non-Indian community, a 21-minute slide-tape presentation. It describes accredited degree programs, services available, and university life in general.

For requests, please contact:

PATRICK LACHANCE (Information Officer)
Saskatchewan Indian Federated College,
University of Regina, Classroom Building, C-4,
REGINA, Saskatchewan S4S 0A2

Telephone: (306) 584-8333

Announcement

To: PROGRAM DIRECTOR'S, SPORTS CO-ORDINATORS

This is to inform you that an all-Native Talent co-ordinating agency is now in existence. The Agency handles persons who we think can contribute to the entertainment field in Saskatchewan and Western Canada. Though we profess to feature top quality Native Bands and entertainers we are not representative of any particular tribe or Band from any area. We hope to utilize all Talent which we know exists throughout our province.

Also, we are now in the process of organizing a troupe of notable Indian entertainers whom we would bring to your community, if you so allow us, for special concerts to raise funds that would go to eventual recording engagements for the artists. Hopefully, we will market the talent on a competitive, commercial market. We would also contribute to any special fund raising endeavour that your reserve or community is currently sponsoring. The terms of this would be agreed to at the time we are invited to your community. However, if there is no particular project happening we would still be glad to come and entertain for our own benefit.

I trust that I have simplified our intentions in this very brief memo. In closing, I would like to comment that Native entertainers haven't really been given a break because of lacking organization and funding. We hope to facilitate this positively by generating interest and support from the people who matter the most — namely, "the native people of Saskatchewan."

We have promotional posters available in lieu of anticipated concerts.

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Program Development Officer

(To develop programs for people of Indian ancestry)

Saskatchewan Department of Health, Community Services Branch in Regina requires a Program Development Officer to design and implement programs which are responsive to the health needs of people of Indian ancestry. The incumbent of this new position will work with Department of Health staff, other Provincial Departments, and community organizations.

The successful applicant will have extensive knowledge of the health and social program needs of people of Indian ancestry, good communication skills, and analytical ability. Formal training at the post-high school level and a minimum of 2 years responsible experience working with groups serving people of Indian ancestry in health, social, or other human services, or an equivalent combination of education and experience is required. Experience in designing and implementing programs for community organizations is an asset.

Considerable travel within the province is involved.

The appointment to this position will be by Order-in-Council.

Salary: \$25,344 - \$31,140 per annum.

Closing date for receipt of applications: As soon as possible.

During the postal strike, please leave applications/resumes in fully addressed envelopes at your nearest **Provincial** Government office. Envelopes should be addressed to:

Ms. Eleanor Glor
Director, Program Development
Community Health Services Branch
Saskatchewan Health
3475 Albert Street
Regina, Saskatchewan
S48 6X6



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SASKATCHEWAN INDIAN FEDERATED COLLEGE

Below is a list of classes the College will be offering during the 1982 Winter Semester from the Indian Studies Department:

CLASS	HOURS OF CLASS	DA	YS	OFF	ERED		ENROLLMENT LIMIT
Cree I 100	10:30 - 11:20	М	Т	W	TH	F - W - Lang. Lab	24
Cree I 101	12:30 - 1:20	M	T	W	TH	F - W - Lang. Lab	24
Cree I 200	2:30 - 4:20	M		W			15
Cree I 201	9:30 - 11:20	M		W			15
Cree I 300	9:30 - 11:20		Т		TH		15
Ojib. I N 101	5:30 - 7:30	M		W			24
Hum. I 250	9:30 - 11:20	M		W			15
Ind. St. I 100	9:30 - 10:20	М	Т		TH	F and fact the	60
Ind. St. I N 100	7:00 - 9:00	W		W			40
Ind. St. I N 220	7:00 - 11:00	M					12
Ind. St. I N 225	7:00 - 9:00	M		W			24
Ind. St. I 230	1:30 - 3:20		T		TH		24
Ind. St. I 301	3:30 - 5:20	M		W			24
Ind. St. I 325	1:30 - 3:20	M		W			24
Indian Art I 100	10:30 - 12:20		Т		TH	Lab Friday	30
Indian Art I 200	1:30 - 4:20		T		TH		10
Indian Art I 230	1:30 - 4:20	M		W			10
Indian Art I 250	9:30 - 12:20	M		W			10
Indian Art I 300	1:30 - 4:20		T		TH		10
Indian Art I 330	1:30 - 4:20	M		W			10
Indian Art I 350	9:30 - 12:20	M		W			10
Ind. A.H. IN 100	7:00 - 9:00	М		W			30

Last day of registration for these classes will be January 5, 1982.

Remember, last day for receipt of application for undergraduate admission for Saskatchewan students is December 15, 1981.

New Tenant Security Deposit Maximum — \$125.00

The Government of Saskatchewan has established a new tenant security deposit maximum applicable to new tenancy agreements, and a new rate of interest payable on deposits.

A Saskatchewan landlord may now collect from a tenant a security deposit equal to one-half of the month's rent to a maximum of \$125.00.

The maximum applies only to new tenancy agreements. Tenants who paid less under old agreements cannot be charged any additional monies.

New Interest Rate

When the tenancy agreement is ended, the landlord must repay the security deposit plus interest (at 10% per annum) to the tenant within ten days.

Also: A tenant who is having difficulty obtaining a receipt for paid rent from the landlord, in order to qualify for the Rent Rebate Program, may now apply to the Rentalsman for assistance.

For further information, contact:

The Rentalsman 1871 Smith Street Regina, Saskatchewan **S4P 3V7**

Phone: 565-2699, Regina 664-5680, Saskatoon 922-2211, Prince Albert



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The program is to begin in September of 1981

Announcement

An international conference on Indigenous People and the Land is scheduled for mid-September, 1981, in Geneva, Switzerland. The conference, sponsored by the NGO Sub Committee on Racism, Racial Discrimination, Apartheid and Decolonization, is planned as a follow-up to the 1977 International Conference on Discrimination Against Indigenous Populations in the Americas, which was held at the United Nations building in Geneva. Entitled "International NGO Conference on Indigenous Peoples and the Land," the conference will be held September 14-17, 1981. The planning committee anticipates that approximately 150 to 200 indigenous delegates, NGO representatives and interested persons will be invited to attend. Attendance is by invitation only. The work of the conference will center around four commissions:

- 1) Land rights of the indigenous people, international agreements and treaties, land reform and system of tenure.
- 2) Indigenous philosophy and land.
- 3) Transnational corporations and their effect on the resources and land of indigenous people.
- The impact of the nuclear arms build-up on the land and life of indigenous peoples.

The Sub-Committee will soon ask various NGO's and indigenous groups to prepare and submit papers on the subject areas of each commission. The results and documentation produced by the conference will be transmitted to the appropriate commissions and organs of the United Nations by the NGO's sponsoring the conference.

A **tentative schedule** has been adopted as follows:

Day 1 — Opening Plenary Session

Day 2 — Meetings of Commissions

Day 3 — Meetings of Commissions, informal discussions and preparation of reports.

Day 4 — Closing Plenary Session.

The NGO Sub-Committee will soon issue invitations to the conference. The Sub-Committee cannot, however, pay for travel or accommodations. Indian governments and others interested in attending or participaing in, or submitting materials for the conference may contact the Indian Law Resource Center. The Indian Law Resource Center will be taking part in the planning and implementation of the conference as a member of the NGO Sub-Committee.

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FOLKFEST

This year, from September 10 to 12, the Saskatoon Indian and Metis Friendship Centre and the Saskatoon Native Women's Association will be hosting the first Native Pavilon of FolkFest '81 in Saskatoon.

Folk Fest is a multicultural event, highlighting the arts, music and foods of Saskatchewan's many ethnic and cultural groups.

This externely important event will provide an opportunity for the native people to share their cultural heritage and to enhance intercultural relations with other Canadians.

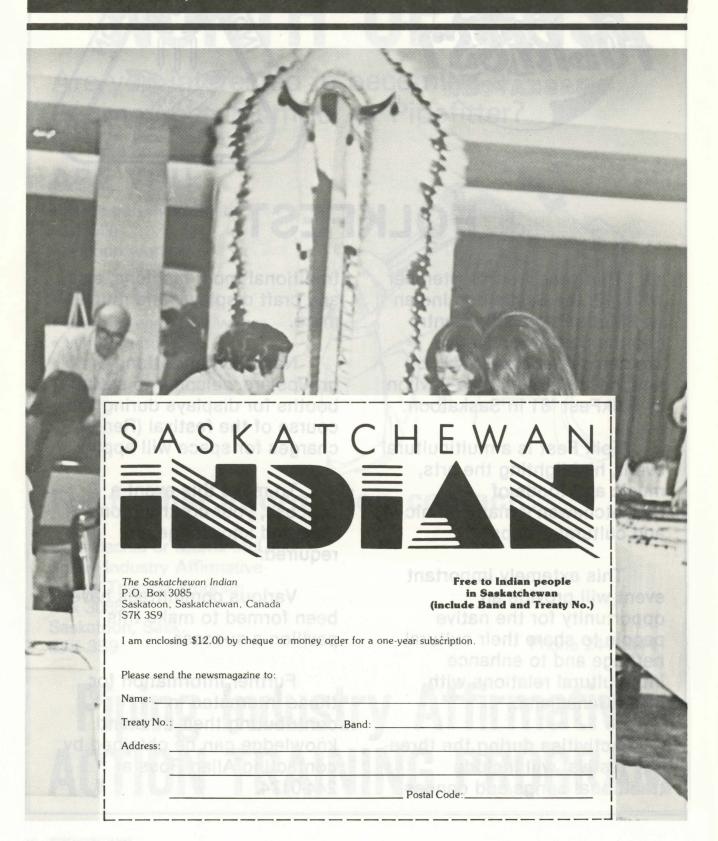
Activities during the threeday festival will include traditional songs and dances, traditional food, fashions, arts and craft displays, and much more.

Native organizations or groups are welcome to set up booths for displays during the course of the festival (Rental charges for space will apply).

To make this event a success, your contributions of time and knowledge are required.

Various committees have been formed to make this pavilion a success.

Further information for those interested in contributing their time and knowledge can be obtained by contacting Allan Ross at 244-0174.



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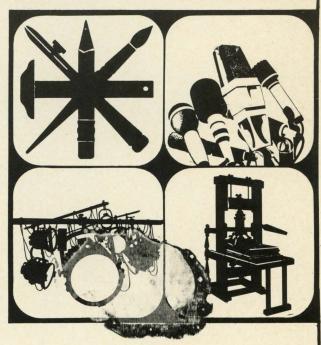




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