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Review of treaties not a gov't priority

By Patrick Michell
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SUNCHILD RESERVE Alta.

Renegotiating the treaties with Alberta Natives is not a high priority with the federal government according to the Indian affairs deputy minister.

Asked whether or not the Mulroney government was ignoring its promise to "renovate" the treaties in provinces such as Alberta and Manitoba, Swain replied "No, we're trying to live up to our obligations. We are very conscious of assessing and renegotiating the existing treaties."

He added that renegotiating the existing treaties had been "Mr. Crombie's idea," and that it was "not really current anymore."

New Democrat opposition MP, Jim Fulton, had accused Mulroney of not having the political will to settle with Natives.

Swain disagreed with Fulton saying, "I believe that he does."

"I have watched him closely for several years. One area that I know that he is personally (interested in) minority rights...whether it's french language rights, Indian rights - those things touch him personally."

The prime minister's new interest in Native issues comes at a time when Alberta politicians are recognizing the voting power of ethnic groups.

"In federal, provincial and municipal elections, at nomination meetings, and in the process of selecting delegates for leadership contests, a politician's ability to woo closely-knit groups has often meant a difference between winning and losing," stated the 1988 June issue of Alberta Report.

The prime minister is also interested in the recent form of Indian self-government being exercised by such Native groups as British Columbia's Sechelt Indian band and Ontario's Cree-Naskapi Nations.

Swain says the government is now talking "with close to 70 different groups" about setting up self-government legislation similar to legislation granted to the Sechelt band and the Cree-Naskapi.

In 1985, Assembly First Nations grand chief, Georges Erasmus, said the self-government legislation was "something that most First Nations across the country are not in favor of. People want a lot more power than that."

A Native university professor, Leroy Little Bear, agrees with Erasmus, saying that Canada's Conservative government is not interested in dealing with Natives at a national level.

Little Bear, a professor at the University of Lethbridge, said government would prefer to deal with Natives at the band level, because bands do not have as much "political sophistication" and "political weight" as the large national Native organizations, which are pushing Ottawa to include Indian sovereignty into the Constitution.

But Mulroney's government continues to reject the idea of sovereign Indian First Nations existing alongside the Canadian governments, says Swain.

"We told the Mohawk nation, 'We're all Canadians,'" says Swain, referring to talks with

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First settler

Well past his 90th year, Adolphus Ghostkeeper is one of the eldest members of the Paddle Prairie Metis Settlement. He was also one of the first to settle in the community. The settlement is celebrating its 50th anniversary (see pages 11-14) Aug. 19-20.

New political presence

City locals to strengthen membership

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EDMONTON, Alta.

A call for Edmonton's Metis locals to strengthen themselves has arisen from the recent approval of boundary changes for the city's eight zones.

Local 2085 president Lyle Donald wants to start a membership drive to begin the process. He says the change in local boundaries, which were approved in June to be re-structured to resemble provincial electoral boundaries, should serve as an impetus for other leaders to go after more of the Metis living in the city to sign up.

Donald is concerned because the Metis locals of Edmonton do not have a strong enough presence in the local political scene while ethnic groups such as the East Indians and Ukrainian populations are able to demand things from the local politicians because they are better organized.

"I estimate there are at least 2000 Metis living in my local alone (the west end of Edmonton). We only have 50 registered Metis in my local right now," Donald says. "Castledowns and Beverly

have high populations of Metis. We want to be more recognized on the local and provincial levels and we want to take advantage of the fiscal opportunities."

Stronger locals will be able to go after grants for more money to run things

for the Metis living in Edmonton. "Community league funding has been handing out grants to recognized groups and we should be able to get those kinds of grants also. We could fit into the Edmonton Social Services programs."

Metis could take advantage of the immunization programs and free counselling such as marriage and mental health programs which Donald says are under used by Metis who are probably not aware of the programs.

Acting vice-president for Zone 4, Joe Blyan, feels the restructuring is a good place to start to build a better relationship between the locals and the Metis people living in Edmonton. "Let's put our differences aside and develop a regional council and when all is said and done we can go back and deal with the personal problems."

"Over the past four years since the regional council came into effect there has been a lot of unrest in Zone 4 because a lot of the unemployed politicians living in town because this is a government town," he says.

He adds, "we are trying to put this regional council back in place. He adds that Edmonton "probably has the biggest Metis population in Alberta."

Zone Director, Stan Plante, says the changes to the boundaries have been okayed by the Metis Association of Alberta and they become effective October 1.

Edmonton woman dodges court on theft charges

By Mark McCallum
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EDMONTON

A city woman failed to appear in court after being charged with one count of fraud and one count of theft in connection with the Canadian Native Friendship Centre.

An arrest warrant has been issued for the police suspect for failing to appear before a judge on June 28 at the provincial court building here in Edmonton.

City police launched an investigation after a friendship centre executive committee turned over evidence indicating that "there were some irregularities in the way the books were han-

dled," says Cyndy Bedard, friendship centre board treasurer.

Police linked the suspect to the charges with an interim audit that the friendship centre executive committee requested in October.

Harriette Fiddler, 43, was charged with one count of theft over \$1,000 and one count of fraud over \$1,000 on Aug. 22, 1987 in connection with dealings she had with the friendship centre.

Fiddler, who had been the friendship centre's office manager and bookkeeper for some 12 years, resigned for unrelated reasons shortly before her friendship centre employees contacted the police.

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CLOSE TO HOME

O'Chiese band members winning alcohol battle

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O'CHIESE RESERVE, Alta.

About seven out of 10 members of the O'Chiese band are staying sober following the recent passing of a band bylaw outlawing beer and liquor drinking on the rural reservation.

Chief Theresa Strawberry said 70 per cent of band members are now sober, although she admitted there have been people who have started drinking again.

"Even though they do relapse, they come back," said Strawberry.

She attributes the band's success to its leadership, which must be a role model to others in the band.

"It has to come to the leadership."

She is proud of her people who have learned to live without alcohol, and whose quick recovery from alcohol abuse is unmatched

by another reserve which banned alcohol consumption over 15 years ago.

British Columbia's Alkali Lake band once had as many as 90 per cent of its people abusing alcohol, but now is a "dry reserve." However, as Strawberry points out, it took the Alkali Lake people almost 15 years to become completely alcohol free. In contrast, the O'Chiese people have taken only three years. She attributes her people's willingness to abandon alcohol abuse to a deep sense of commitment.

Strawberry herself is a reformed alcoholic drunk for 10 years. Her and her husband Bernie are now recovering from the effects that the disease of alcoholism has had on their lives.

Husband Bernie says that their three children are now "really happy" because their parents no longer drink.



100 years of wildrose granite: Chief Rita Marten and gov't leaders

Quarry to help reduce unemployment

By Patrick Michell
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FORT CHIPEWYAN, Alta.

Native leaders and politicians who officially opened a granite quarry in Fort Chipewyan Aug. 16 expect it to provide a stable economy in a town plagued with seasonal unemployment.

Both leaders and politicians predicted the red granite could be sold on the world market. They also announced that the quarry could employ up to a hundred people.

Located about 20 km from Fort Chipewyan, the quarry now employs five on-site and three in administration, says Cree band Chief Rita Marten, but she adds that with a finishing plant in Fort McMurray, about 100 people could become employed in processing the granite.

Much of the quarry is located on Cree band lands, giving members of that band 70 per cent ownership, with 15 per cent owned by the Fort Chipewyan band, and the

remaining 15 per cent by the the Metis local.

Lloyd "Sonny" Flett, president of the Fort Chipewyan Development Corporation (FCDC), told about 100 officials, observers and press people that he expects to see the red granite on Edmonton buildings.

"In the near future, we hope to see this red granite on Jasper Avenue."

Speaker of the Legislature, David Carter, confirmed Flett's expectation, saying the Alberta government had promised to buy 10,000 cubic feet of the granite each year for the next three years.

The minister responsible for buying the granite, Ernie Isley, said he expects to see the "wild rose granite" on the front of the new Olympia building now being constructed in Edmonton.

But the granite is not expected to be used only for the fronts of buildings. Marten is optimistic that the community will become interested in a red granite "cottage industry."

However, geologist John

Godfrey, responsible for finding the granite 15 years ago, said the town is slow to accept carving granite figures as a means of income. But if they do accept carving, they will have at least a hundred year's supply of the wild rose granite, according to Godfrey's estimate on the quantity of granite in the quarry.

Although Godfrey estimates only about 25 per cent of the granite is of highest quality needed for the front of buildings, he expects the lower quality granite could be used for making such items as curb stones and pen stands.

Confident the granite can be used for more than just building fronts, Marten talks of providing raw granite to tombstone manufacturers.

An optimistic minister for Transportation and Utilities, Al "Boomer" Adair said, "The potential is here for a product that could be sold throughout the world, particularly in Alberta."

Cree band councillor Matthew Lepine estimates

that 35 per cent of Fort Chipewyan residents are unemployed. Those employed work at building houses and fishing pickerel during the summers. During the winters, trapping is the major economic activity in the hamlet community.

Other employment in the community comes from the provincial government, which employs residents in Recreation and Parks, in Forestry, and in Environment, he said.

Horace Wylie, 82, said that an economic mainstay, trapping of muskrats, is slowly dying, because "most lakes (habitats for muskrats) are drying up." He blamed the gigantic Peace River dam in British Columbia for the disappearing lakes.

He doesn't think fishing will take its place, because government regulates the amount of fish caught from the river. According to the Wylie, the quota of fish allowed by the government is easily reached during the fishing season.

Chief welcomes Bill C-31'ers

EDMONTON — Chief Ernie Houle says Bill C-31 Indians are welcome to return home to the Good Fish Lake reserve.

The Good Fish Lake chief presented a group at a Bill C-31 information meeting in Edmonton recently with a band council resolution, supporting the full reinstatement of Bill C-31 Indians to the

Good Fish Lake band along with full oil and gas royalty benefits, as well as all other entitlements.

However, Houle also told the gathering that the chief and council of the Saddle Lake band had earlier rejected the move. Both bands are recognized as one reserve by the Department of Indian Affairs.

any yards in" the 1987 First Ministers' Conference, says Swain.

This "community-based" legislation will be "working, practical, sensible examples on the ground, and they are not going to be the same. They aren't all going to look like Sechelt. They aren't all going to look like the Cree-Naskapi Act. They will be special.

"If the Alexander band winds up with its own act, it wouldn't look like anything else, it'll be the Alexander Act. It will have some commonalities, I am sure."

Swain added that the present Constitution does not allow Natives to control their lands, resources, and to administer their programs.

The community-based legislation allowing Indian self-government will allow Natives to exercise "Indian jurisdiction."

"I don't see why both sides can't move back a little bit and create some room. It doesn't take a constitutional amendment to do that," says Swain, referring to the Sechelt Act and the Cree-Naskapi Act.

TREATIES

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Quebec's Six Nations which is declaring itself sovereign from the rest of Canada.

Instead, Mulroney's government is focusing on the Comprehensive Claims, which are treaties for Natives who never signed agreements with the federal government in the 1800's, such as Indian First Nations in British Columbia and in the Northwest Territories.

As yet, only those Nations in the Northwest Territories have settled with the government on their Comprehensive Claims.

Mulroney has said that he will call for another first minister's conference when "the prospects for consensus are reasonable," referring to the consensus among First Nations regarding aboriginal title.

Indian affairs has been talking to a number of bands across the country interested in setting up self-government legislation, because it and the government had not "made

Educators seek national lobby voice

By Mark McCallum
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NATIONAL

Educators at the second annual National Indian Education Symposium in Quebec recently reaffirmed the need for a "national voice" to lobby the government and coordinate awareness campaigns aimed at all Canadians, Native and non-Native.

"It's a follow-up from last year," says Alexander (reserve) Education Centre director Adele Arcand, who helped organize the first symposium held at Alexander.

Delegates "overwhelmingly" showed support for a group that was established at last year's symposium, called the National Indian Education Forum (NIEF), which plans to lobby critics and network information surrounding current Native education issues.

Communication amongst educators from across the nation will play a vital role, says Arcand, adding concerns are often snuffed out because groups are acting on their own and "nobody's listening because they're only viewed as one small group." The NIEF spokesperson believes they

must "work together and let the government know these concerns have a national consensus and are not just a small issue in one province that can be swept under the rug."

She adds they hope to link educators on a national level through the efforts of the NIEF. The NIEF, which has been operating on volunteer assistance, will be incorporated later this year and seek funds to hire a working staff.

The national symposium, held in Kahnawake, Que. Aug. 8, 9 and 10, addressed other topics like drug and alcohol abuse, student exchange programs

and "special education" (teaching students with 'learning difficulties'). About 250 representatives were in attendance and keynote speakers such as Ron LaFrance, Basil Johnston and Kahnawake actress Margo Kane made presentations and conducted workshops.

"Some of our focus this year will be on a national education week and hopefully part of that will be trying to make the Canadian public both the Native and non-Native people aware of issues like language and culture," explains Arcand.

CLOSE TO HOME

Drummers perform for Queen

By Dianne Meili
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EDMONTON, Alberta.

A group of four Alberta Natives recently drummed and sang for Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth as they performed in the annual Royal Tournament at Earls Court in London.

According to the president of Edmonton's Whitebraided society, Martha Campiou-Zarutsky, "The question most asked the group by the Europeans was 'Do you still live in wigwams?' But she adds the Europeans were fascinated by the Native costumes her group wore "and the treatment we got from the people who put on the tournament was royal."

She travelled to England with Dale Auger, an artist and photographer from Calgary; Rod Scout, a Cochrane member of the Eagle Whistle Singers; and Kirby Smith, of Brocket.

The July 13-30 Royal Tournament involves a display of skill with various weapons by military service members. First held in 1890, the event is assigned a different theme each year; this year it was the drum, an instrument which played a major role in the military to rally the troops and entertain them.

"The show's producer, Major Michael Parker, real-



Meeting the Queen: Left to right, Kirby Smith, Rod Scout and Dale Auger

ized that to make the show complete, North America needed recognition and asked for participation from Indian drummers," said Campiou-Zarutsky. Director Colonel Iain

Ferguson finally contacted her and she set about finding drummers to take with her.

"It wasn't easy. The three I took were selected because they were the only available drummers able to go, seeing it was in the middle of powwow season and there was a very small remuneration available (from the Europeans)." The

small group that did go participated in 30 shows during the two-and-a-half week duration of the Tournament and met the Royal family and their relatives. Dale Auger presented a stone carving to Prince Charles.

The group was a major attraction at the show and "the impact that we left with people we talked to and who took pictures of us was one of respect because

we were still, in their eyes, traditional because we know and live our culture. We are still from an old culture," said Campiou-Zarutsky.

Attending the Royal Tournament were over 2,000 male military performers, except for the "Red Indians" whose leader, Campiou-Zarutsky, was the only female performer.

The four were interviewed by British radio and appeared on a national television program. "We wanted to bring recognition of the Native people to Europeans because they are from an old culture and country, too," Campiou-Zarutsky said, adding, "We've been asked to have an even larger involvement in the 100th Royal Tournament set for 1990."

Hunger striker appeals to Getty to stop dam construction

By Jackie Red Crow
Windspeaker Correspondent

PEIGAN RESERVE, Alta.

A linguist-researcher, long associated with the Peigans, is on a hunger strike until Alberta Premier Don Getty imposes a moratorium on the controversial Oldman River Dam construction.

Buff Parry, who has been conducting an archaeological investigation in the area for the past four years, says he will continue with his fast until the premier responds "satisfactorily" to his request.

Parry wrote a letter to the premier last week appealing for a temporary halt of the \$350 million dam which has been opposed vigorously by the Peigans and environmentalists.

"I'm not going to stop until the premier answers my request for a moratorium or gives me just cause in view of new findings of building the dam," he said from his office in Pincher Creek.

An official from the premier's office, says Parry's letter has not been received. Jeff Davies, media representative said, "The premier will respond as soon as he gets the chance to review Parry's letter."

Since his fast started on Aug. 9, Parry has been living on water and vitamins to keep up his strength. However, he admits that he has suffered "normal complications" such as cramps, headaches, and is feeling weak. But he insists that he has enough strength to keep up the fast especially after a sweat with Peigan Elder Joe Crowshoe on Aug. 14 which strengthened his spirit and determination.

The fast, which is considered a 'last ditch attempt' to stop the dam construction, evolved after a planned blockade of the Oldman River was averted when Crowshoe did not attend. Later, another rally was staged with about 80 people and four Peigan councillors attending.

"At that time, we discussed a unified action to stop construction of the dam and the idea of a fast," Parry said. He added he understands why Crowshoe did not attend the blockade.

"He (Crowshoe) follows a spiritual path. A civil disobedience led by him will remove him from that path. His reasons are quite justifiable."

Parry says he's not a member of the Friends of

the Oldman River even though the mainstream media has continually associated him with the group. But, he "agrees completely" with F.O.R.'s objections to the dam construction.

"It (dam construction) is ridiculous, wasteful and not economically justifiable," he said angrily.

Parry said he always believed in preserving the Oldman River in its natural state because of its cultural and spiritual significance. "When you sever with the dam, it's like severing with an optic nerve," said Parry in describing how sacred the Oldman River is to the Peigan Nation.

He added it's even more ironic that the dam construction is preceding when "there is a glimmering cultural appreciation and revival among Peigans, especially the youth."

In an interview, Josephine Crowshoe said her husband Joe supports Parry, Friends of the Oldman River and the Peigan chief and council's efforts to halt the dam construction but did not attend the planned blockade because of his cultural beliefs. "He doesn't want to be a leader; he's a spiritual leader," she said.

The Crowshoe's and other Peigan elders "have been praying hard so that the issue of the dam is resolved peacefully."

However Crowshoe had fasted four days last week prior to hosting a sweat with Parry.

Josephine Crowshoe said they are "sad" about the environmental damage to the river thus far. "It's pitiful - there's fish all over the place. It's too bad the government just looks at money instead of the consequences."

But she expressed frustration that everything done to halt the dam construction has been to no avail. "Let them (government) build, maybe nature will take care of it. Indian religion is powerful," she said.

Friends of the Oldman will be in court Aug. 30 in Pincher Creek regarding charges laid against the provincial government under the Alberta Fisheries Act. The group contends the province was negligent in not preventing pollution on the dam's riverbed.

As well the Peigan chief and council are seeking a legal injunction and are expected to be in court Aug. 24 in Calgary. Peigan Chief Peter Yellowhorn was unavailable for comment at press time.

Will continue pressure

Kainai group wants cattle removed

By Jackie Red Crow
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BLOOD RESERVE, Alta

The Kainai Wilderness and Recreation Association says it will continue to pressure the Blood chief and council to remove 650 band cattle from an area designated as a wildlife and recreational area.

However the tribal council is just as adamant saying that the move "is only temporary and will cause very minimal disruption to the area."

Spokesman John Tallow says his group presented a 200-name petition to council last month stating that council's action has "damaging effects." He contends that the band cattle being moved to the Beebe Flats near Waterton Lakes will limit the hunting and fishing privileges of the 6,700 Blood band members who can hunt and fish freely year round.

The wilderness and recreation area encompasses about six sections of land, commonly known as the Timber Limits and Beebe Flats, was set aside several decades ago by the tribal council for the enjoy-

ment of present and future band members. The area is often used, beside hunting and fishing, as company grounds by band members.

Tallow says that the wilderness area must remain in its "natural state" because of its spiritual and cultural significance. A number of band members gather roots, berries, sweetgrass and other natural plants vital to cultural ceremonies.

As well, ecology of the area is also threatened if the cattle continue to graze, said Tallow.

Due to the area's close proximity to the mountains, bears often attack cattle. Tallow said the Cardston community pasture, which is near the wilderness area, reported over 50 bear attacks last year.

"I want it understood that the wilderness area affects the whole reserve - it's their source of food, hide, recreational activities," he said in an interview at his home.

What frustrates Tallow is that he believes the tribal council did not examine other alternatives before making their decision. One area which Tallow suggested was placing the cattle on

the Old Bradshaw lease adjacent to the present area. "It already has a fence, has lots of grass and water," he said. He estimates the band spent about \$20,000 to relocate the cattle and build a new fence.

The wilderness association composed of avid hunters, has been waging a campaign since the group first discovered cattle in the area. They've lobbied tribal bureaucrats and politicians and written letters to local newspapers.

However, the tribal council wrote a letter to the group on June 11, explaining their actions.

Their main argument in placing the cattle in the wilderness area is because of the severe drought conditions on the reserve. The letter obtained by Windspeaker states reserve lands "are virtually depleted of grazing plus the dugouts are dry. We recently had to have water to a number of dugouts."

The letter signed by councillors Rosie Many Grey Horses, Jerry Wells and Bernard Tall Man Sr., said, "We had no alternative but to use the Timber Limits for the summer pasture."

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YOUR WORDS

Sad, but real problem

Reader encourages better care for elders

Dear Editor:

This is a letter in response to Lorna Jacknife of Beaver Lake reserve near Lac La Biche. The letter to the editor that she had wrote in the June 17 issue of Windspeaker is a sad but a real problem that I personally have seen in many of the communities

I have visited. Our elders should not have to go through hardships of poor living conditions and neglect. Come on, if it wasn't for them where would we be?

I was raised and brought up by my grandmother and was taught from an early age to respect the elders that were around me and the ones that I have never even

seen before. I am sure there are a lot of people out there who were brought up this way. I'm sure the people on the Beaver Lake council were taught this. There is no reason in the world for an elder to go through hardships like that; would you like to see your grandmother going through this? I should hope not.

Maybe something was done to help her by now but there are a lot of other places where you can see the same problem and nothing is being done about it. Respect your elders.

Concerned,
Fabian Delorme
Drumheller Institute

Cree Band member questions chief's moves

Dear Editor:

It gets frustrating to us band members from Fort Chipewyan to have a chief who doesn't appear to know her own mind. It seems that she's an "on again, off again" chief that doesn't know whether she's coming or going.

First of all, she couldn't even

complete her four-year term. She's only been in for two years and not much can be accomplished in such a short time. She may list our Cree band's land settlement as an achievement, but I don't. Neither do a lot of our people. Just ask them!

In the July 31 issue of The Edmonton Sun, she reported to

the paper that her job as chief has lost its luster. How can a community of people on the verge of economic progress lack luster? I beg to differ. We have come a long way and there can be a good future for our people if we have proper leadership.

Anyone who is genuinely interested in the betterment of

their community and has an opportunity to prove it, like a chief or council member, could hardly find their job boring or uneventful. It only gets that way if they are like that.

Charlie W. Simpson
Fort Chip Cree
Band Member

IN OUR OPINION

Economics versus environment

This week Windspeaker took a look at a very serious issue that should concern many of our readers: the environment. With the various conflicts regarding environment vs. economic development going on in Alberta at the moment, it's a timely subject.

In northern Alberta, the pulp and paper mills are changing the environment. For the last 20 years Weldwood and Proctor and Gamble have been cutting down timber and discharging effluents into rivers; Weldwood into the Athabasca River and Proctor and Gamble into the Wapiti River. The waste product, an organic chlorine, affects the taste of the fish consumed and could make them toxic.

A new department in the Forestry, Lands and Wildlife division of the Alberta government, called Forest Industry Development, is inviting more pulp and paper companies in to cut down trees. Millar Western Pulp Ltd. has been approved for Whitecourt and the much-in-the-news Daishowa Canada Co. Ltd. is setting up operations near Peace River. Toxic Watch, an environmentalist group in Edmonton, has charged Daishowa has already broken pollution regulations. Even more controversy surrounds the fact that the company is taking timber from land located in the heart of the Lubicon band's unsettled land claim.

To date, it's rumoured that four additional mills are privately negotiating with government officials to set up plants in northern Alberta.

Moving down south, we find an environmental controversy of another kind. This one involves the construction of an earthen dam on the Oldman River and the Peigan Indians' protest of it. The river, Napi's River, is spiritually important to them and they feel construction of the dam will have a devastating impact on religious and historical sites along the riverbank.

The dam is being built to ensure a reliable water supply for downstream communities and irrigation. It means dollars to farmers who need the water for the crops they sell. Granted, with the drought conditions of this summer, the water may be needed for sheer survival in the future, not just for economic gain by farmers.

Still, an economics versus environment scenario exists.

For example, Prime Minister Brian Mulroney recently attended two conferences; one an economic summit and the other a conference on the changing atmosphere. He made pronouncements at each.

At the summit he stressed the importance of maintaining economic growth while at the other he urged action to avoid further destruction of the atmosphere. But he never acknowledged there is a connection between the two. As the well-known environmentalist and host of "The Nature of Things" television program David Suzuki says, "Leaders of all major parties are hemmed in by pressure groups, ignorance and their personal value systems and don't have the time or inclination to rise above the urgency of political survival. Political "vision" seldom extends beyond the interval between elections, yet the environmental crisis must be seen on a longer time scale."

Man is only one species out of perhaps 30 million. As much as we like to think we are above nature and can control her, as biological beings we still have to rely on clean air, water and soil, the same as all other organisms on this planet.

Canada is extremely lucky to have a wealth of natural resources, but it is being squandered in the rush to maximize profit and gain economic stability.

These days, when forests are clear cut, hydro-electric dams are built, and cities are expanded, entire ecological systems are destroyed. And money is given in compensation, as if it will make up for things that can never be replaced.

Economics is so important these days that it has overshadowed how critical it is that we pay attention to the basics like clean air, water and soil. When they are all gone, we will die.

So, even though the arrival of a huge pulp and paper company like Daishowa may be good news to those who plan to benefit economically from it and gain jobs, the downside must be looked at. We Native people, who have a heritage of being linked with nature and the land, must stand up and display genuine vision and a concern for our future. We must ensure that those who would destroy the very basics that sustain all life, are not sacrificing the environment for economics.

YOUR WORDS

Native tradition and Christianity don't mix, says reader

Dear Editor:

As a Canadian aboriginal, I would like to express my feelings for fellow Natives who are avid followers of Christianity. My question is "How can an Indian combine a traditional life with a Christian way of life?" I am sure that there are many others who are as confused as I am. I am going to be very straightforward, so please be patient and excuse my criticism.

I lead a very traditional life, and respect the voice of our elders. I have met many Natives who say they are Christians. I then ask "If you were brought on this earth as an Indian, shouldn't you follow your Indian way of life; such as, sundances, powwows, lodges and sweats as your sacred religion?" I guess I can understand Metis people as Christians, but a full-blooded Indian, whose parents are Indians!

After I explain this to a 'supposedly' Christian, all they have to say is "I never thought about that before." These Christian Indians have to know that our sacred religion is the same as anyone else's, except that as Natives we pray our own way to our Great spirit and our ceremonies are done differently. I am sure that all religions pray to the same God, we just have different names for Him, and different ways of praising Him.

I have just explained my point of view, and hope that I have gotten through to the many Natives who believe that they are Christians. I am proud to be an Indian and following my Native culture is my life, a Christian I am not.

Sincerely, Pamela, Winterburn

Television writer sought

Dear Editor:

Being an avid reader of Windspeaker, the story of Drew Taylor was interesting and informative.

What I would like is the address that can lead me to Drew Taylor. The reason is that I will be looking for a scriptwriter in the near future. Taylor has some of the same ideas as I do pertaining to the image of the Natives of Canada.

Sincerely, Mr. Winiandy Spirit River

EDITOR'S NOTE: Drew Taylor's address is Apt. #1, 287 Christie Street, Toronto, Ont. M6G 3B9.

Fort Chip ball tourney gets thumbs up

Dear Editor:

This is a follow-up on a story Windspeaker ran called Fort Chip Strykers strike out at tourney, published in the July 22 issue.

For those of you who are totally unfamiliar with the status of the Anzac team mentioned in the story, I would like to give you a brief history of the team.

The team started in '84 and with 80 per cent of the original players, we have progressed through the years to finally win first place in the Native Slo-Pitch Tournament in Fort Chipewyan.

Anzac stats for the years we played just for the Native Tournament are: third in '84, third in '85, second in '86, second in '87 and first in '88.

As a new team in the earlier years we began winning third place and made our way up. Our name then was "Anzac Rebels" up to the spring of '88, at this point we started up a new team called "Stoney Mountain

Rattlers." This decision was made in order to accommodate the growing interest with the younger people, wanting to play ball. With the Rebels team already established and having uniforms, we handed over the uniforms to the younger team. They are doing a good job up to this point.

The Stoney Mt. Rattlers travelled to Fort Chip for the Annual Native Slo-pitch Tournament and came out first, thanks to the following people: Paul Irving, Darrin Bourque, Paul Madsen, Betty Woodward, Julia Marten, Dan Starr, Bill Thorpe, Tony Mercredi, Bull Powder and Leona Courtoreille.

We want to compliment Fort Chip in their format of the tourney, enabling everyone to have equal number of games making it worthwhile for all teams involved. Thanks again, Chip!

Sincerely, Alice Martin Stoney Mountain Rattlers Manager

Reader blasts Joe Clark

Dear Editor:

The Edmonton Journal in an editorial, made the point a couple of weeks ago it didn't matter that the federal Yellowhead Riding had an MP who was essentially an outsider, since constituents have enjoyed, through Joe Clark, High River representative now for several years.

We are talking here, however, about a former prime minister and a present external affairs minister who came to Yellowhead as a parachute candidate, who has never lived in this riding, and whose wife, now is running for parliament in an Ottawa area constituency. Moreover, as the Journal's Aug. 5 editorial "Where is the action" strongly implies, his ministry, since it is responsible for our South African policy, is in shambles. One recalls the uproar when, as prime minister, Joe Clark favored moving our embassy in Israel to Jerusalem. That country has proven in the interim to be not only an oppressor of its own indigenous population (the Palestinians), but a vital military ally to the apartheid regime of Pretoria in the violent subjugation of its black majority. Again, Joe Clark acknowledged the situation in Palestine at least, but where is the action?

The action is selling Canada to the highest corporate bidders in the United States. Everything, including our foreign policy has been subjugated in the last four years to that end. Canada "stands ready" to help out in Central America or in the Persian Gulf, or to "give peace a chance" now that the super powers are talking. But has Joe Clark taken one practical step towards solving any world problem before his government's masters in Washington, D.C. said it was okay to do so?

It would make eminent sense to at least protect our foreign assistance projects in South Africa. This, coupled to the long-

promised sanctions against South Africa would provide real help to these nations. But no, Ronald Reagan wants to see the people of Mozambique, Angola, Namibia, and other front line states suffer some more. So, Canada, through Joe Clark, can only talk gobbledegook. In other words, we talk but it's not backed up by action.

In regard to the Yellowhead constituency, Joe Clark and Preston Manning, while not men without ability, are not the only alternatives. Why indeed "flirt with the fringe" as Joe Clark says of Manning's reborn Socreds (reform party)? The new Democratic Party and before that the C.C.F. was born in the west; we are a national, not a regional party and stand for honesty and integrity in a social democratic caring government. We owe no allegiance to the large corporations and accept no donations from them. We support small business profit sharing and employee ownership.

I am a Yellowhead resident and a Metis, a proud bearer of both of Canada's major heritages. I know from my own history, what it is to be sold down the river by slick company salesmen like Brian Mulroney and Joe Clark.

I also know from recent Canadian history that it has been the PC's and the Liberals who have brought my country to the point where they are now considering "free trading" it off. And make no mistake, with economic integration comes cultural assimilation or worse. Just look at the situation of our aboriginal people in Canada today.

Many people believe that Joe Clark's service to his constituency is vastly over-stated, and his future participation in another Tory government would be a disaster for all of Canada!

Muriel Stanley Venne Carvel, Alberta

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St. Albert Metis honored at centennial celebration

By Lyle Donald
Windspeaker Correspondent

EDMONTON, Alta.

G'Day Dan and Sharon Martel and congratulations to you two strong Metis newlyweds. Even with the frustrations these two have went through this year, they married at the second annual Metis cultural days in Edson put on by Local 44. I am sorry I did not make it for the event, but I heard it was just as good as last year's.

Here is a breakdown of winners: Junior fiddler, Tyler Vollrath; Senior fiddler, Adrian Poirier; in the open competition Henry Roy took first, Richard Calihoo placed second and Gilbert Anderson got third.

In the Red River jig or otherwise known as the Metis aerobics competition, Tanya and Elmer Badger placed first in the juniors while Carol Badger and Herman John won the seniors open. I also heard that Leonard Gauthier did a fabulous job emceeing the three-day event.

Another major event that takes place every year is the annual Lac St. Anne Pilgrimage, which was held July 24 - 28. Not only is it a good place to share our religious beliefs and ask the Lord for forgiveness, but it is a good meeting place. There were many people that I cross paths with only at this yearly gathering. This year there were a few rumors spread about next year's 100th year celebration. The main one was that they would be charging a entrance fee, to which the good Fathers at the pilgrimage said that there will not be any changes except a bigger celebration marking the anniversary.

Talking about centennial celebrations, St. Albert had its 100th year celebrations on July 31 at their Lions park. In honor of the town founders back in 1888 they handed out certificates to the grandchildren of the first settlers of this very Metis town. Moise White of Edmonton accepted one on behalf of his moosum Lablanc. He said that it is



Honoring the founders: 95-year-old Mary Calliou

a good feeling to know that his grandfather was one of the first settlers there. While watching the presentations it was good to hear all those strong Metis names such as: Berrard, Belcourt, Calihoo, Perault, and many others. For the anniversary Moise White brought out his Metis square dance group from the friendship centre to perform for the enthusiastic crowd that took in the day long event. Even the ancestors of the settlers got a group together and cut a rug and also took part in the Red River jig. So, happy anniversary, St. Albert.

Well, Metis people in Zone 4 get ready for another election in your area. As most of you know two positions are up for grabs, the vice president and board of director. So far the only ones to throw their hats in the ring are Joe

Blyan for V.P. and Thelma Chalifoux for board. If you are interested in running for either position, contact the chief returning officer, Bruce Gladue at the M.A.A., 455 - 2200. The deadline for nomination papers is August 26, 1988. If you have nerves of steel and a bullet-proof vest with extra padding on the back that is knife-proof. Just joking, I think.

The Edmonton friendship centre is hosting their annual family and membership picnic Wednesday August 24, 5 p. m. at Emily Murphy Park. The centre will be serving hot dogs, hamburgers, juice and watermelon. They are asking members to bring some of the extras such as bannock, potatoes or macaroni salads any food that goes good with a picnic. It sounds like it will be a good time with such games as mother and daughter

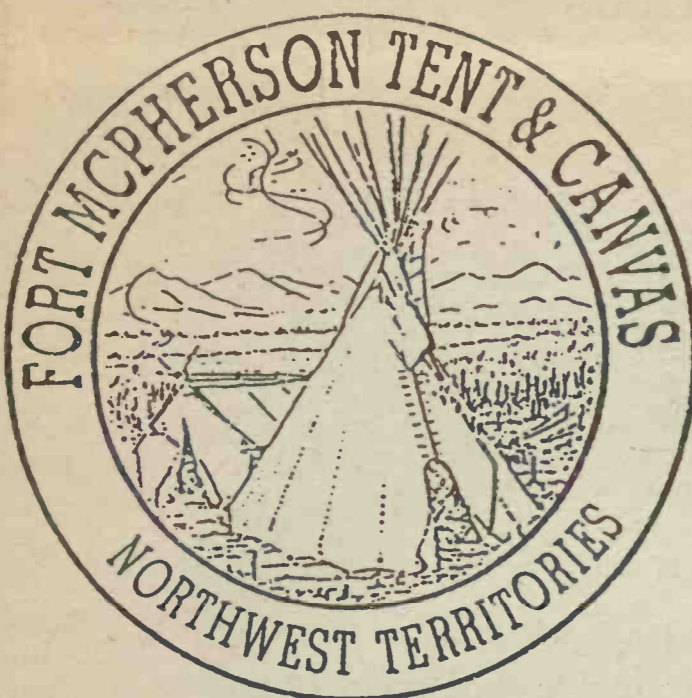
three legged races, football toss, tug-a-wars, sack races and more. There will be prizes. For any more information call Anne at 482-6051.

Sounds like a good way to get over the hump day blues. When I was younger my old girlfriends were so ugly when they entered the sack race, they put them over their heads and didn't know which way to run.

Batoche Days are back on for this year during the last long weekend of the summer, Sept. 2-4. So if you are like me and have not taken any time off during the summer, this is one of the best annual cultural events to take in.

Talking about another cultural event coming up Metis Local 2085 are hosting a Metis cultural days Sept. 23-24 at the Highlands community hall,

11333 - 62 Street in Edmonton. Friday evening includes the miss Metis Alberta Pageant, which is open to every Metis young lady over the age of 17. For entries give Edna Forchuk a call at 453 - 2099. Feature band for the two day event is the young and talented Fourth Generation Band, joined by Moose Mountains favorite fiddler, Homer Poitras. Also taking place will be a jigging and fiddling competitions, demonstration square dancers, and a jam session featuring top Native talent in and around our province. Opening ceremonies will include MAA president Larry Desmeules and tentative guest Mayor Lawrence Decore, and Municipal Affairs Minister Ken Rostad. So mark those days out on your calendars and get out and participate in these events.



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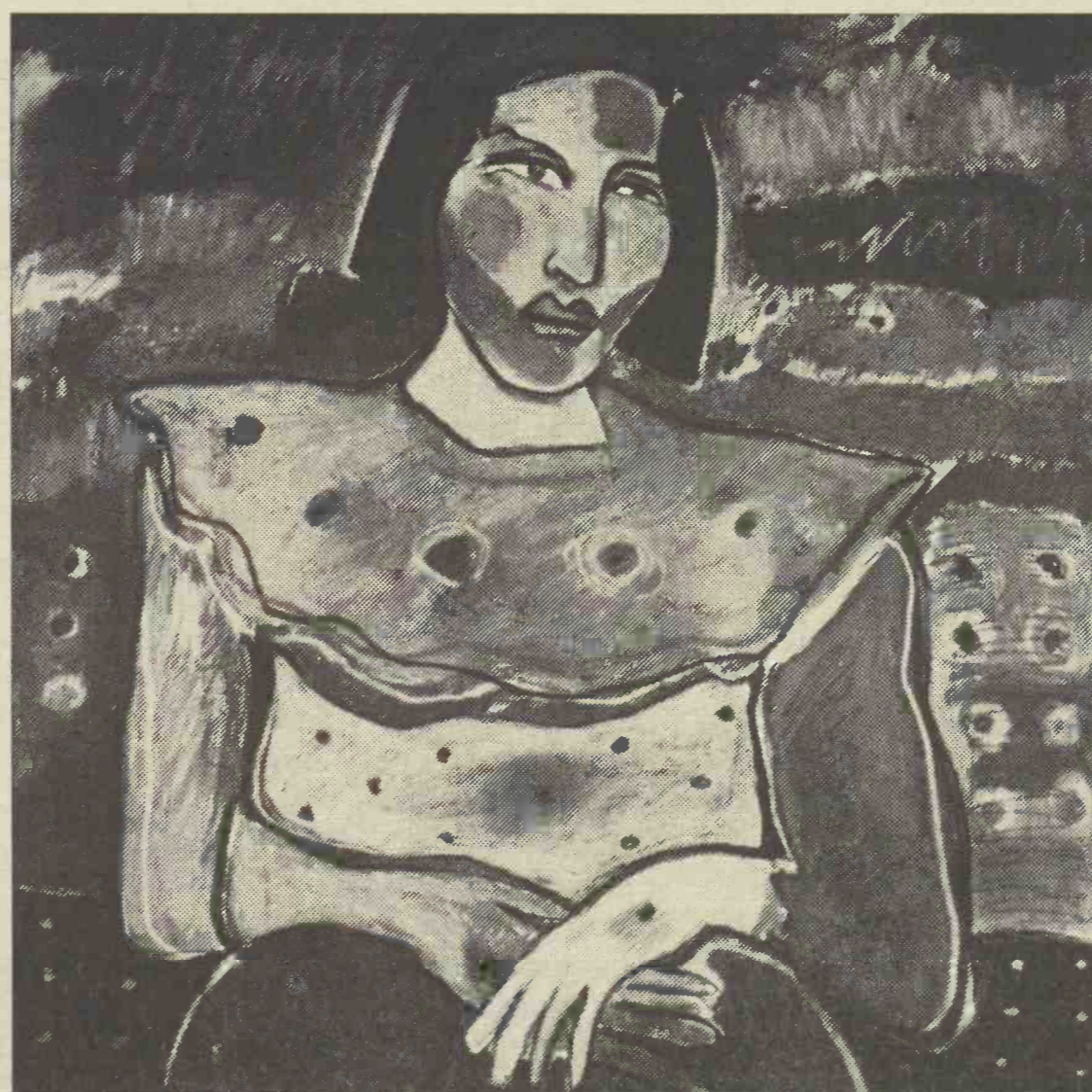
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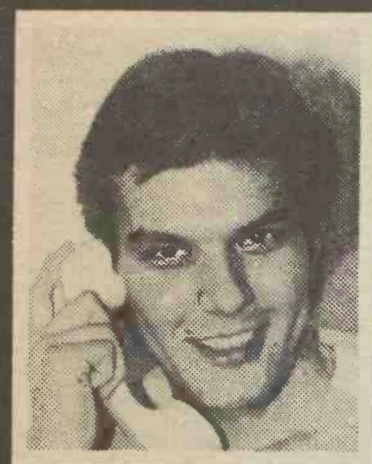
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DROPPIN IN

By Mark McCallum

Anderson's gas bar obviously needed by weary motorists

If you've ever travelled the lonely stretch of road between High Prairie and Red Earth, you may have noticed that there's not too many places to grab a snack or fill up your gas tank.

The secondary road (750) is usually buzzing with traffic at all hours from oil and natural resource companies in the area. But, rest stops are few and far between.

Randy Anderson of the Gift Lake Metis settlement decided to capitalize on this obvious oversight some time ago by opening a small gas bar and store. And, now he's making what he hopes will be another smart business move. He's making it bigger so he can offer more to weary travellers.

Anderson will officially open the newly renovated rest stop in September. And, although he's waiting till then to call it finished, he says his present operation is still open to the public.

"We're just putting the finishing touches on it right now," says Anderson, with an easy-going voice, noting the store will be about 2,000 sq. ft. He adds he'll be able to offer a better selection of grocery items as well as a place to relax in the store, which he has included tables and chairs in for tired customers.

Anderson's operation is located at about the halfway point between Red Earth and High Prairie, separated by some 200 km, just off the secondary road (750).

Just married: Congratulations Dan and Sharron (Johnstone) Martel. The newlyweds tied the knot on July 30 at an annual celebration called the Edson Metis Cultural Days. Sharron is the president of the Metis local in Edson, which is a position her new husband previously held. May you both live in health and happiness together.

High Prairie: A group of outdoor lifeskills students from the High Prairie Native Friendship Centre in this community were rained out recently. "They all came back dripping wet," says centre executive director Joe Courtepatte, adding the group was at a camp near Snipe Lake learning "how to survive in the wilderness."

But, rather than let the rainy weather conditions completely ruin their last outing of the year, Courtepatte notes the group went to centre assistant director Loraine Duguay's house for a hot dog roast.

The friendship centre had a successful summer, adds Courtepatte, thanks in great part to the people that volunteer time at the centre. Through bingos run by volunteers, the centre purchased a new \$25,000 van over the summer. He says the 15-seat 1988 Ford van will be a great asset for years to come.

The centre's staff had more diplomatic roles to play this summer because tourists from as far away as Sweden, England and Germany dropped by the centre, says Courtepatte, noting the main draw seem to be the centre's Native craft shop.

Although the friendship centre's summer programs are now wrapping up, a physical fitness facility at the centre can help you stay away from hibernating over the winter months. "It's one of the finest in northeastern Alberta," notes Courtepatte, explaining that it has universal and free weights for you Hulk Hogan types. If you're interested, the fitness instructor is Roger Capot.

Grouard: They're just moving in the last of the plants now at the Grouard band's new administration building, officially opened on July 29. "We're pretty well moved in now," says receptionist Debbie Chalifoux. The single-level building, which has three offices, washroom facilities and a boardroom, should become a place all band members can be proud for years to come.

Have a great week!

Theatre of Giants plays the Fringe

By Albert Crier
Windspeaker Correspondent

EDMONTON, Alta.

With the help of the grandfathers and the Thunderbird spirit, the young Fat Boy is transformed into a formidable warrior who conquers the Giants with no hearts and restores peace to the land of the People.

The Fat Boy conquers the Giants daily in a unique outdoor performance by the Theatre of Giants, a Vancouver based theatrical troupe, during the 1988 Fringe Festival held here August 13-21.

The Theatre of Giants is a combination of Native and non-Native talent that delivers a spectacular performance of Native legends, using masks, mime, movement and music.

The legends of Wasakajack and the Geese and How the Sly Fox Received his Name are combined into an encore performance to amuse the



Restoring peace: Giant theatre

crowd of kids and adults gathered around the outdoor stage.

Jimmy Sidler, an Ojibway from Manitoulin Island, Ontario and Duane Marchand, an Okanagan from Vernon, British Columbia team up with David Secunda from Ottawa, Ontario and Sam Rathie from Vancouver to present the outdoor plays.

With one player towering over the audience on stilts and the whole troupe

garbed in colorful and oversized masks, their performance never fails to draw a crowd from other festival venues.

The audience participates in the Wasakajack stories, by playing the roles of geese and Wasakajack's rear end.

"Our cultures are so deep, the performance only touch the surface," comments Marchand, who notes that there is an increasing interest in the

performing arts by Natives.

"There is a tremendous renaissance of American Native theatre, that I find very exciting. I strongly recommend the performing arts to young Native people," adds Sidler.

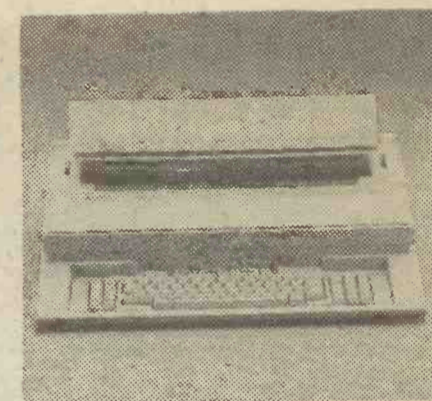
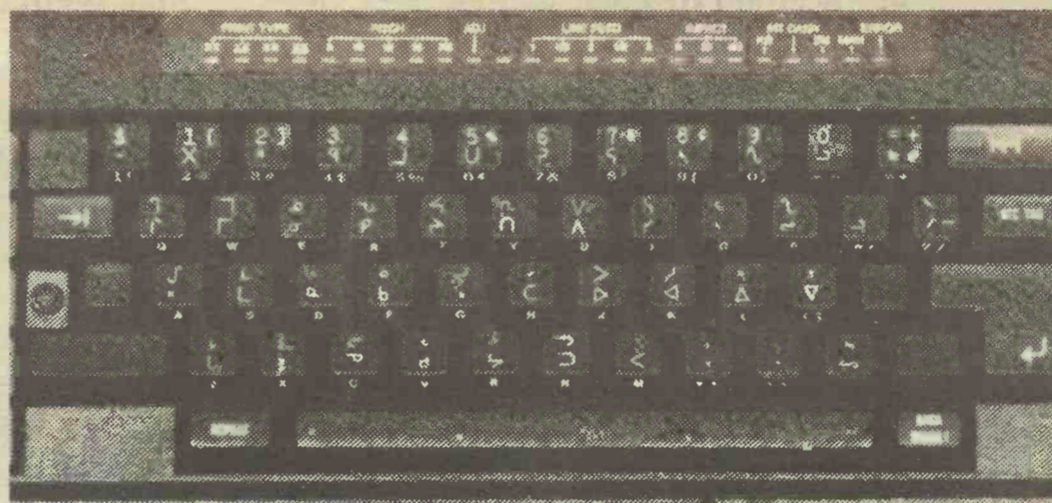
The Theatre of Giants is affiliated with the Spirit Song Theatre Company established as a theatre school in 1975, and is located at 454C West Broadway, Vancouver.

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LOOKING BACK

Late Chief Smallboy

Early Hobbema life recalled

It's been 20 years since residents of the Ermineskin reserve left Hobbema for Kootenay Plains on July 8, 1968 to once again live the traditional life.

Led by spiritual leader Lazarus Roan and Chief Robert Smallboy, the group lived in tents for the first few years, hunted and subsisted off the land except for purchasing essentials like flour for the making of bannock.

The first Smallboy's Camp residents turned their backs on the easy life they would have enjoyed in Hobbema, a community becoming rich with oil royalty money. Roan and Smallboy sought to leave behind the problems that come with alcohol and living an idle life, replacing this with the demanding physical activity that comes with living off the land. The two leaders visualized their people living at one with the Creator, leading simple lives amidst the splendour of mountains and evergreen trees.

But a few years after the group settled in the Kootenay Plains, road development forced them to re-locate to another area at the foot of the Rocky Mountains, south of Edson. In commemoration of the twentieth anniversary of the establishment of Smallboy's Camp, Windspeaker presents a two-part series on the people who returned to the wilderness. This week we feature an interview with the late Chief Robert Smallboy, conducted on Feb. 10, 1983. The leader, who passed away on July 8, 1985, speaks of his own life history and the evils of alcohol.

Next week we will take you to Smallboy's Camp to introduce you to some of the people who are still living the vision of leaders Roan and Smallboy.

I was born in 1898 in Fort Macleod, Alberta and my parents were Treaty Indians. We had left Hobbema when I was a child because it was too hard to live there. No jobs. We were in the south working for farmers, all kinds of odd jobs. In 1915

we came back to Hobbema. In 1920 we became Treaty again in Hobbema. I worked for the railroad in 1916 at 22 cents an hour. It was a heavy job. No time to relax or you got fired. In 1918 I was given a wife. Until 1957 I worked hard as

a farmer and gardener. I was given some land, so I put some horses to work. I also raised chickens and cows. I milked 13 cows then since there were no machines. I am not bragging but I worked very hard - people in Hobbema knew how hard I worked.

In 1957 I quit being a farmer - that's when my wife left me...she died. I enjoyed working for myself then - I earned my own money. I had three children, one boy and two girls. From there in 1959 I was chosen to be chief for my people. But I was not paid. I used my own money. Finally one of the band councillors spoke for me to get paid. I received \$150 a month but all my travelling expenses were not covered. I didn't mind as long as my meals were covered. It's not too good to be chief, you get hassled a lot, lots of people get mad. You have a lot of responsibility; you need to be a spokesperson and interpreter for everyone. You're a worker for your people. You can't be vain cause you could get asked to wash dishes in some other's tent!

I wasn't egotistical; it's

not worth it to be like that when you're a leader. I was easy-going - that's best - not like the whiteman, he thinks too highly of himself when he has a good job. He looks down on the poor person and makes him feel inferior. He shouldn't feel so superior because of positions.

I am very glad that someone came to hear me talk. I don't care if the whiteman gets mad for hearing me talk. I am used to it anyway. I am telling the truth anyway. There's no need for me to lie.

There's been a lot of changes since long ago - the old chiefs and headmen and the way things work; it's a different world altogether. These days they use whiteman's ways. Long ago they used the Indian's way of life; a lot of sharing to benefit everyone involved. At meetings the chiefs walked around talking to everyone - and talked about the good things in life. They lectured and made sure you listened - they disciplined everyone, even about alcohol.

There wasn't much alcohol then but the chiefs and councillors made sure people heard their words. They said at that time: "In the future there will be a lot of alcohol and people will get addicted, and that it will be very destructive...please listen," they advised. They had said alcohol is going to claim people. The alcohol will kill young people - sure enough, young people are dying. There was six of us that were against alcohol not to be permitted but the younger generation voted against us. They did not listen.



Spiritual lives: Chief Smallboy

Now it's a big problem all over the world; it touches all races - not only aboriginal people. Man destroys his mind, his body through alcohol, drugs, smoking, needles and so on. He weakens his mind and body - he loses all the way through. Then everything goes out of control. There's knifings, shootings, suicides, murders and so on. In his alcoholic mind he's strong and brave. It's really bad medicine. We don't know what's all in the mixture that the whiteman made. The elders had told me long ago that the whiteman made a mixture from the head and body of snakes to mix in the alcohol. That's why it is so dangerous and destructive. I hated it. I regret all these people dying and having alcohol-related diseases. Too bad

those people voted for alcohol to be permitted.

I knew how children and families were going to suffer in the future; but I couldn't stop it! People wanted to sit in bars and lounges to get entertained. By the time he came out, he's already a different person. That alcohol was made from the snake's body, the elders said. Already it has dangerously affected us - that poison. People need to go back to a good life, drug-free. They never drank in the old days. They served as a good example to others.

Even some of the chiefs and councillors now drink at meetings and the young people watch them. Today we really suffer - I am telling you the truth. We were very strong at one time - the first peoples - let's not throw it away.

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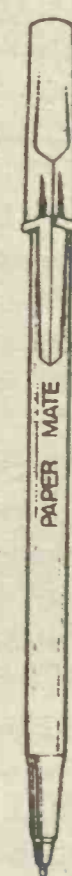
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OUR CHILDREN, OUR FUTURE

'Down to earth' approach

Elders help teenagers make the right choices

By Patrick Michell
Windspeaker Correspondent

SUNCHILD RESERVE Alta.

A fear of the young losing their Native culture prompted Indian leaders and elders with the Yellowhead Tribal Council area to hold a Youth and Elders Conference at Sunchild reserve Aug. 12-13.

Conference co-ordinator, Bob Cardinal, said the conferences began three years ago, "because elders are very special people."

Elders are wise and knowing, he said, adding

that they are responsible for "teaching us the way of life given to us by the Creator."

Jody Ground, 14, said elders cautioned youth "not to be blind to materialistic things" and to "respect and honor our culture."

Jo Morin, 15, considers Native culture to be "sacred" because it teaches people to "be more respectful to other people, to property, and to themselves."

An elder who impressed Charlene Cardinal was Gary Nault, because his approach "was down to earth." Nault was interested in the youth themselves,

she said. He asked how each felt about being a teenager, and how each was coping with the physical and emotional changes. He then advised the youth on how to cope with the problems of being a teenager.

Of the many ideas, beliefs and values presented at the conference, Cardinal easily recalled the idea that people "should not always look at the bad, but also look at the good side of things."

However, not all ideas were as optimistic. Another idea Cardinal recalled concerned parents and schools.

Parents and schools, she said, are "not always right about things." Today's youth must realize that they need to make decisions of their own. Decisions which can affect their lives later, she said. "The choices we make now are going to influence us when we get older, but not all the choices are going to be right."

As an example, teenage girls who decide to have sex early in life and who sometimes become pregnant have to live with that choice, she said.

A speaker at the conference, Danny Charlie, does not consider himself an elder. Instead, he is the "elders' messenger."

Charlie said he teaches traditional values and beliefs through legends and stories, hoping these will



Learning through legends: Youth at conference



help prevent youth from abusing alcohol and drugs. He also attempts to

teach youth to "respect all of creation, even the bees and the bugs," adding that

each has a right to life, and a value and a purpose given to it by the Creator.

Adult students get sampling of university life

By Bea Lawrence
Windspeaker Staff Writer

HYTHE, Alta.

Fifteen adult students from the Horse Lake band, near Hythe, Alberta were sponsored by their band to visit the University of Alberta (U of A) in Edmonton, August 1-4 for a three-day university orientation program. It was co-ordinated by the department of the Native Student Services at the U of A to encourage post-secondary students to continue with their education.

During the three-day university orientation term the students got first-hand experience on the Apple Macintosh computer and also sat through classroom lectures introducing; Law, Sociology and History. The students had free use of the University's Physical Education (P.E.) facilities.

Marlene Benson from Native Outreach spoke to the students regarding employment programs available to benefit the prospective Native students and Tom Ghostkeeper from the Alberta Career Centre talked about career planning priorities and procedures. The students were also given a tour of the University's Library to learn the operational systems maintained virtually by computers.

"No registration fee was administered for this three-day university orientation program although originally the fee was set at \$298 each," said Albert Crier, a community liaison assistant with the Native Student Services.

The Native Student

Services hope the idea of implementing the university orientation program can be included in future U of A calendars," says Crier.

"If implemented, and we're quite confident that it will go ahead, then a registration fee would be charged at that time," continues Crier. "This university orientation program would be offered to all the Native communities and also to those Natives living in the urban area."

A barbeque dinner was sponsored by the Native Student Services at the end of the three-day university orientation program. "The response from the students was positive; they really enjoyed this experience and some of them do plan to come back to further their education at the U of A," concludes Crier.

Audrey Pedersen, Education Councillor with the Horse Lake band accompanied the students to the U of A. "We felt welcomed and found the U of A interesting and there is a possibility that post-secondary student Bert Horseman will relocate to Edmonton to continue with his studies there."

"Edmonton is so big, people seem so rushed, it's a scary idea for us to relocate," continues Pedersen. "But while we were there, the people there took the time to talk to us," she adds.

The list of the other Horse Lake Band post-secondary students who wish to further their education at the U of A are: Barbara Horseman, Doreen Horseman and Sarah Moses.



THE CITY OF CALGARY

PUBLIC NOTICE

INVITATION FOR APPLICATIONS FOR ABORIGINAL URBAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Each year at its Organizational Meeting in October, City Council appoints citizens to its various boards, commissions and committees.

Applications from persons who would be willing to sit on The City of Calgary Aboriginal Urban Affairs Committee for the year 1989 are requested.

In some instances City Council may re-appoint members who wish to continue to serve, therefore the number of appointments shown does not necessarily reflect the number of new appointees.

Applicants may be requested to submit to a brief interview by City Council.

Particulars on the Aboriginal Urban Affairs Committee are as follows:

Citizens to be Appointed	Term of Appointment	Total Number of Members	Meetings Held	Approximate Length of Meetings	Regular Time of Meetings
13	1 year	16	Monthly (1st Wednesday)	2 hours	4:30 p.m.

Your application should state your reason for applying and service expectations. A resume of no more than two 8½" x 11" pages should be attached stating background and experience. Please mark envelope "Committees".

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS IS 4:30 P.M., SEPTEMBER 16, 1988.

Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to telephone 268-5861.

Joyce E. Woodward, City Clerk

Applications should be forwarded to:

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MOTHER EARTH

Exclusive women's group

New society takes active role in stopping pollution of earth

By Susan Enge
Windspeaker Correspondent

EDMONTON, ALTA.

All living creatures in Alberta have a new guardian in the making.

The Mother Earth Society - Aboriginal women only - met for the first time last August weekend in Edmonton to start momentum to protect the environment.

In one of the rooms at the Environmental Resource Centre house, located on the banks of the scenic river valley, Native women from various backgrounds met to determine how they can modify earth contaminating ways industrial companies are using. Intense discussion of this "unhealthy" approach government and industry are using led the group to unanimously endorse a proposal backing the need for "a change in attitude."

Lorraine Sinclair, executive director of the society is a devoted traditionalist and is largely responsible for spearheading the creation of the group. She says industry is taking natural resources as quickly and cost-effectively as possible, purely for profit and usually at the expense of the natural habitat. "Developers think about conquering the environment. They look for what they can get out of the land. But, Native people adapt themselves to their environment. They think about what they can give back," she said.

The society's approach to protect the environment is unique but not a new

"Developers think about conquering the environment. They look for what they can get out of the land. But Native people adapt themselves to their environment. They think about what they can give back."

concept. In fact, the format it intends to use is ancient. They plan to revive the age-old traditional philosophies elders speak of, then relate those concepts back into society.

Sinclair says it's time for women to take an active and traditional role, which was to nurture their family and act as the caretakers and protectors of their social network, and begin to raise the Native and non-Native awareness of the increasing threats made on the life and breath of the earth.

The task is not an easy one, but is one the newly-elected board and executive hope to do. A cross-cultural proposal, written by Sinclair and endorsed by the board, proposes to take the elder's teachings into the school classrooms and corporate board rooms and conventions. They plan to convey the message that industrial development strategies must include ways to protect the land.

They also hope to educate the young and old that respect for Mother Earth is a vital component needed in all segments of society.

Sinclair states in her proposal that Native people's "spiritual affinity to Mother Earth" can serve as a model for land management with a social and environmental conscience.

Information from the elders will be collected and put into the form of an educational curriculum which will then be sent to schools in the province.

Alberta's Department of Education has already endorsed the development of materials highlighting Native heritage, culture and lifestyles in its policy statement made in 1987.

The proposal has not secured financial support from any government agency as yet.

A meeting is being organized by the society and environmentalists in the Kootenay Plains next month to discuss ways they can work to protect Mother Earth.

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PADDLE PRAIRIE: Celebrating 50 Years

Decision to fight government eviction creates need for first Metis homeland

By Everett Lambert
Windspeaker Correspondent

PADDLE PRAIRIE, Alta.

Some 60 years ago a group of Metis squatters decided to organize and fight the government's decision to evict them from their homelands near Fishing Lake.

The reason for the eviction was the intended transfer of natural resource rights to the provinces which would effectively wipe out the rights of the Metis inhabitants.

This event served as impetus to what became Canada's only legally recognized homeland for Metis people. Perhaps it is healthy to get mad once in a while.

Today these Alberta Metis reside on eight settlements taking up 1.28 million acres of land, with the Paddle Prairie settlement taking about a third of that. At 403,027 acres it is the largest piece of Aboriginal land in Canada. Originally 12 settlements had been established, however, four are now defunct.

Many of those Fishing Lake Metis had originated from the St. Paul des Metis, Alberta's first Metis settlement or "colony" as they were first called. (To this day some still refer to them as colonies.) These Metis were led by Charles Delorme.

Later in 1930 at a meeting in Cold Lake, Joseph Dion, an enfranchised Treaty Indian and school teacher, became involved along with other notable mainstream politicians. Due to other meetings of this type, councillors were elected for Metis settlements across northern Alberta.

On the Metis' behalf Dion fought for land, education, medical care, and free hunting and fishing. Present day Metis groups still fight and stand for these same ideals.

Two years later in 1932, L'Association des Metis d'Alberta et les Territoires du Nord-Ouest - forerunner of what is now known as the Metis Association of Alberta - was born. Their objectives were the same as what Dion stood for, basically, to achieve a better life for Metis people.

Their original executive is often referred to as the "Big Five," they were: Joe Dion, president; Malcolm Norris, Felix Callihoo, and first, Henry Cunningham, then Peter Tomkins, who were the vice-presidents; and J.P. Brady, secretary-treasurer. Many authors have commended the effectiveness and quality of



Early Paddle Prairie: At 403,027 acres, it is the largest piece of Aboriginal land in Canada

these leaders whose genuine concern for Metis life to the formation of these settlements.

Their leadership attracted many Metis people and the association grew rapidly under their guidance. The association continued to pressure the government for land and presented them with a list of 11 potential sites for Metis settlements.

On Dec. 12, 1934 the Alberta legislature appointed a commission with the following mandate: "enquiries be made into

and concerning the problems of health, education and general welfare of the half-breed population of the province." The Ewing (Half-breed) Commission, as it was known, travelled central and northern Alberta gathering the concerns of Metis people.

A little more than a year later, Feb. 15, 1936, the Ewing Commission issued its 14-page report.

One of their main recommendations was that homelands or colonies be established for the "betterment" of Alberta's Metis.

On those recommendations, some three years later, the Metis Population Betterment Act was assented to on Nov. 22, 1938.

A year later, on May 9, 1939, the first of 12 Metis colonies was established:

Keg River Metis Colony No. 1, known today as the Paddle Prairie Metis Settlement.

This year will mark 50 years since the passing of legislation which allowed for the creation of this settlement which will cele-

brate the 50 golden years since the passing of the Metis Betterment Act. The celebration will extend from Aug. 19 to 21. The Paddle Prairie people extend their invitation to everyone who wishes to attend.

Happy Golden Anniversary to our brothers and sisters at the Paddle Prairie Metis Settlement.

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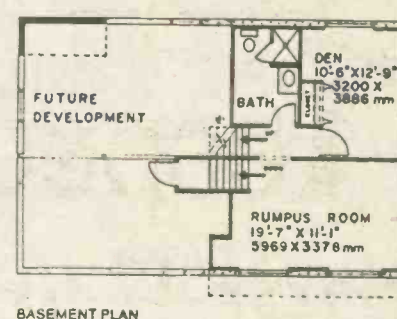
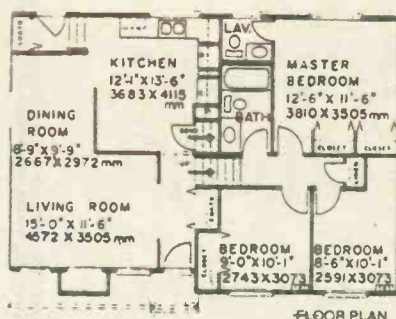
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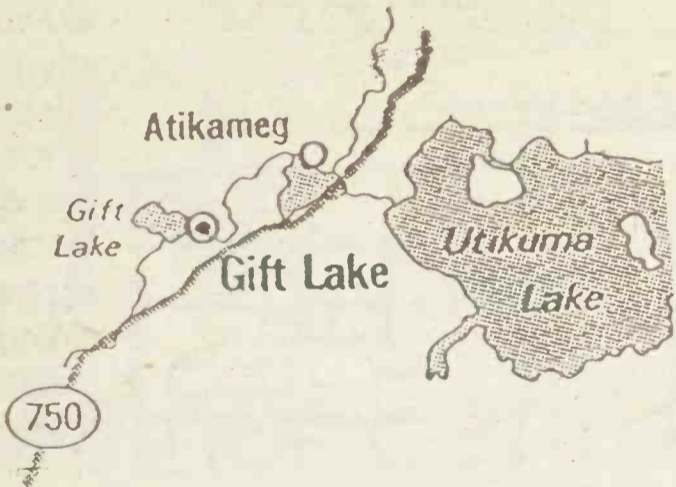


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The Honourable Dennis Anderson, Minister of Municipal Affairs, and the Honourable Ken Rostad, Q.C., Solicitor General and Minister Responsible for Housing and Native Programs, wish to congratulate the residents of the Paddle Prairie Metis Settlement on their Golden Anniversary. We know that visitors to your celebration will be sharing in the proud spirit and history of your community during this special celebration.



The chairman and council of the Gift Lake settlement wish to congratulate our brothers and sisters in Paddle Prairie as you celebrate your Golden Anniversary.

Gift Lake Metis Settlement

PADDLE PRAIRIE: Celebrate

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A settlement meeting, Leonard Poltras and wife (front row, at right)



The late George Gauthier, 1967



Ghostkeeper family



Albert and Florence Wanuch



Friends posing for camera, Mary Gauthier (far left)



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PADDLE PRAIRIE: Celebrating 50 Years

Lots to do at Paddle Prairie celebrations

By Everett Lambert
Windspeaker Correspondent

PADDLE PRAIRIE, Alta.

H'loo dare Paddle Prairie and happy 50th anniversary!

This weekend we are going to have one heck of a party.

For the first time ever Paddle will have a parade.

Right after that we're gonna have a whole bunch of speakers including Jim Sinclair from our Metis National Council. Do you know how hard it is to get a real live breathin' Jim Sinclair to come and speak? Well we got him. It took about 20 phone calls but we did it.

Kikino Northern Lites

Dancers — the toe-tappin' group from our Kikino Metis Settlement is coming too. And if you haven't seen them yet, they're quite the group to see, let me tell ya'.

Then we're going to throw a variety show with a jigging and fiddling contest, a talent show, moose calling contest, and get this, a liars contest. Competition should be pretty stiff for that last one. Some of us Metis really know how to spread it on thick you know.

Dances. There'll be two of these. The first is in honor of our great people — the youth. And the next is for all those people who left Paddle and are coming home for the weekend —

the homecoming dance.

Both dances will feature that ever-popular group from Peace River, Rodeo Drive. They've been performing all over Northern Alberta since the spring when they joined forces. I know these guys won't let us down.

Baseball. We're gonna have baseballs comin' outta our ears this weekend. We have not one but two ball tournaments this weekend. Our super-active rec board will be organizing both of them.

By the way, the name of the rec board is Recreation and Culture Society Paddle Prairie (1986). Our chairman is Dwayne Calliou; vice-chairlady is Martha Ghostkeeper; the secretary

treasurer is Tina St. Germain and George Ghostkeeper, Mona Calliou, Vern Cardinal and yours truly make up the board of directors.

A horseshoe tourney, youth play, pillow fighting, bannock making and tea making contests will help make up Saturday August 20 activities.

At 7 p.m. that same day we're having a feast in honor of our Elders. Also, we're hoping to honor Chief Harry Chonkolay of the Dene Tha' Band. The Elder Chief celebrates his 50th year in office this year. Since we're also celebrating our 50th year it's only appropriate that our friend Harry celebrate with us.

The pageant. I'm really excited about our first ever Miss Metis Paddle Prairie pageant. We have seven beautiful young ladies competing for the crown. Also, Edna Forchuk's Nikki Lanis Metis Models of Edmonton will be here to give us a hand for this one. She will be accompanied by Miss Metis Alberta, Rosemarie Mercredi also from Edmonton.

At midnight we'll take a break from the home coming dance and step outside for the fireworks put on by High Level's RCMP



Speaker: Sinclair

Special Constable Cecile Hinds.

On Sunday we'll wind down with a greased pig contest, target shoot, tug of war and award presentations.

Everyone is welcomed and we hope to see you all there.

Long years of hard work created settlement of today

By Everett Lambert
Windspeaker Correspondent

PADDLE PRAIRIE, Alta.

August 19th through 20th will see this Metis homeland celebrate their 50th Golden Anniversary of the Metis Betterment Act (1938).

Located some 700 kms northwest of Edmonton, the Paddle Prairie Metis sit on Canada's largest Native land tract. With in excess of 400,000 acres they own upwards of a third of the 1.28 million acres owned by Alberta's landed Metis.

The area is also a hot spot for sub-surface resource activity. Agriculture, housing and education have also improved dramatically since the Act was passed in 1938. Other types of commerce is also on the upswing.

Today's Metis Settlements are the fruits of many long years of hard and dedicated worked by the Metis.

In the 'Dirty Thirties,' the term given those 10 humble years of hunger, drought and degradation, the Metis could very well have been the most deprived lot. Unlike their Indian cousins they had no federal benefits and were not an agricultural society like mainstream Canada, who could at least scratch out a humble existence. The Metis, however, squatted in tarpaper shacks along Western Canada's roadways. Education was a rare commodity to this group of people disowned by both their white and Indian brethren. They were the "Halfbreed," or the "in-between people" with no real home where they could return - they were the "Road Allowance People."

Tired and mad at poverty and discrimination they formed the forerunner of what come to be the Metis Association of Alberta. The fathers of the association pressed for, and pur-

sued the formation of the Ewing (Halfbreed) Commission.

In the early 1930s they uncovered the meagre existence of these people. In their report they strongly recommended the setting aside of lands for the "betterment of the general welfare of the Metis..."

Since the days of convents, tarpaper shacks, woodstoves and extreme poverty this group of resilient Canadian Natives have bounced back and live a flourishing life of great potential and pride.

So for the many who plan to celebrate and come home this weekend it will be a time of laughter and a time to remember.

Events are to numerous to mention: A parade will kick things off, Speakers are Greg Calliou, Council Chairman, Randy Hardy, President of the Federation of Metis Settlements, and will feature Jim Sinclair, well known spokesman of the Metis National Council; Kikino Northern Lites Dancers; Jigging and fiddling contests; Ball tournaments; a pageant; fireworks; Awards ceremony; bingo, dances, Dene Tha' Drummers, etc.

A jewel of the Golden celebration will be the first-ever Miss Metis Paddle Prairie Pageant hosted by Edna Forchuk's Nikki Lanis Metis Models of Edmonton and Recreation and culture Society Paddle Prairie (1986).

Thus the Pageant has seven entrants with the organizers encouraging that more young ladies enter. Co-emcee will be Settlement Administrator Jeanette Calahasen. Also on hand will be the "Rodeo Drive Band" with Buddy Gauthier along with the ever-popular Dene Tha' Drummers.

The pageant will feature entertainment by Jeanette Calahasen who recently released the single "He a Cowboy and I Love Him."

PADDLE PRAIRIE GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY SCHEDULE

AUGUST 19, 20 & 21, 1988

AUGUST 19

11 a.m. - Parade
Noon - Opening Prayer by Elders Speeches
1:30 p.m. - Lunch
Sponsored by Settlement Council
3:30 p.m. - Track Meet
5 p.m. - Kikino Northern Lites Dancers
6:30 p.m. - Jigging & Fiddling Contest, Talent Show, Moose Calling & Liars' Contests
10 p.m. - Youth Dance featuring Rodeo Drive

AUGUST 20

8 a.m. - Baseball Tournament
10 a.m. - Youth Baseball Tournament
1 p.m. - Horseshoe Tournament

2 p.m. - Play produced by the youth
4:30 p.m. - Pillow Fight
5 p.m. - Bannock Making Contest
6 p.m. - Tea Making Contest
7 p.m. - Feast
8:30 p.m. - Miss Metis Paddle Prairie Pageant
10 p.m. - "Homecoming" Dance featuring Rodeo Drive
Midnight - Fireworks by High Level RCMP

AUGUST 21

8 a.m. - Ball Tournament
1 p.m. - Greased Pig Contest
2:30 p.m. - Target Shoot by High Level Native Outreach
4 p.m. - Tug of War
5 p.m. - Awards
6 p.m. - Bingo by MAA Zone 6 Regional Council

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HEALING

Spread of dreaded smallpox wiped out entire nations

Omi'win (the Cree word for scabs) was a well-known and dreaded word for the early Indian tribes who lived on the prairies of Alberta.

They had good reason to fear the word. The scab was a particularly severe and often fatal disease which afflicted mainly buffalos and occasionally horses.

Diseased animals were covered with huge sores and as the disease progressed the animals would thrash about wildly, with no care for safety, in an apparent state of delirium.

Many of the animals perished by falling off cliffs to violent deaths. Once afflicted, few animals survived the disease. For an Indian tribe, an outbreak of omi'win meant the loss of herds of bison and the loss of a few valuable horses, but the members of the tribes were never in danger of contacting the disease.

So it was with panic and confusion that the Plains tribes reacted to the first outbreak of the scab in their population. Because the Indian had never been



Last two survivors of smallpox: Mandan men

afflicted with the buffalo disease he was ill-prepared to deal with it; he didn't even have a name for it. Because the symptoms of the disease appeared much alike in both buffalos and

humans, the Cree Indian gave it the same name omi'win.

But the Indian never blamed the buffalo for giving him the disease. Indians had lived with the

buffalos from time immemorial and never was there any occurrence of the disease being passed on to humans.

The Indians knew that the scab was being passed

on to him by other humans, the new humans in their midst. The arrival of the Europeans coincided with the outbreak of the scab in the Indian populations. Many of the Europeans had developed immunity to the disease through previous outbreaks back in Europe, so it was the Indian tribes that were singularly devastated by the outbreaks.

As contact and trade increased between the Natives and the new arrivals, the disease spread from tribe to tribe. Some nations such as the Plains Indians, were reported to have lost as many as one-third of their populations. The period of the smallpox epidemic occurred at the same time the fights for dominance and possessions of the North American continent were being waged. The Indian was not only fighting on the battle fields, but he was also doing battle with the scab.

The famous Major Eugene Baker and his detachment of the Second United States Cavalry were reported to have stumbled on the Heavy Runner tribe of Montana. Almost every-

one in the tribe had come down with the scab and were unable to defend themselves. It was an easy victory for the major and his men. This apparent slaughter went into the history books as the Peigan "war" of 1870, though there was no resistance whatsoever from the Indians.

Many missionaries and European merchants attempted to help the Indians, offering medicines and counselling, but neither the missionaries nor the traders had any more understanding of smallpox than the hapless Natives did. For decades the disease spread like bush fire, and not until all the Indian tribes had contacted the disease and many great populations were wiped out did the disease finally stabilize. Indian populations finally acquired the same immunity that protected the European populations.

This information is based on the book Strange Empire - Louis Riel and the Metis People by Joseph Howard, published by James Lewis and Samuel, Toronto, 1974.

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HEALING

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In its usual form, the illness is associated with fever, sore throat, sneezing, nasal discharge, cough, red eyes, headache, chills and tiredness. After three or four days, there is consid-

Antibiotics will not influence the course of the viral illness and will not normally be suggested by your doctor.

erable improvement but a persistent stuffy nose, red eyes and cough may continue for several more days. This illness is caused by many types of viruses which spread quickly through communities and families each year.

The treatment is directed at relief of the symptoms. In infants, the nasal obstruction often interferes with sleeping and eating.

Some simple measures will reduce this problem. A pediatric nasal decongestant solution or infant nasal aspirator can be used. If the nasal discharge is too thick, some lukewarm salt water in the nostrils with a dropper before the medicine or aspirator is used may help. These are best tried about 15 minutes before feedings. For older children, the doctor may

suggest adult nasal decongestant solutions. During feedings, the infant's head should be elevated as this will reduce fluid congestion of the middle ear. Small, four-inch-sized blocks placed to raise the head of the bed may also be helpful during the worst part of the congestion, as symptoms always seem to worsen at night time.

At the onset of the infection, the fever and the loss of appetite are often associated with irritability and odorous breath. These symptoms can be reduced by treatment with concentrated sugars (honey, clear candies, soft drinks) and a good fluid intake. This measure often reduces the crankiness. Humidifiers

will help if the house is dry. Bed rest is advisable only if significant fever is present. Oral decongestants used without the above measure may be ineffective and should not be used in young infants without your doctor's recommendation. Fever should be managed with fluids, baths and medicine as outlined on the fever handout. Cough medicine

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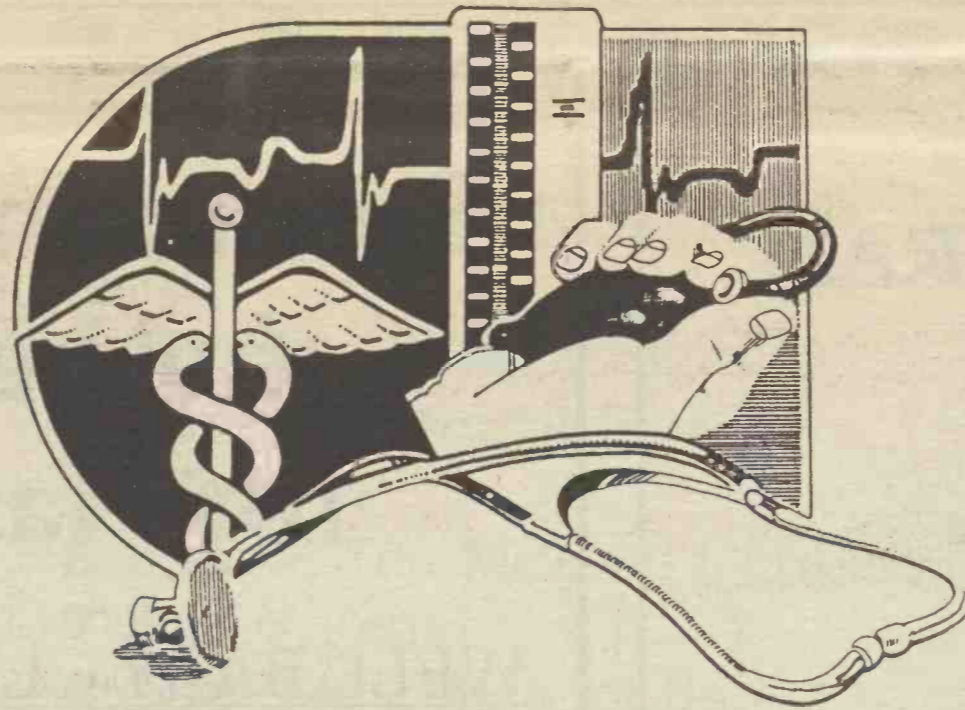
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Calendar of Events

- **IMAP Conference**, August 25-27, Sawridge Hotel, Slave Lake (Indian Management Assistance Program)
- **Intercultural Days & Powwow**, August 26-28, Kehewin First Nations. Call Percy Moosepayo 826-3333 for more info.
- **Gift Lake Cultural Days**, August 26-28, Gift Lake Metis Settlement.
- **Gordon Provost Golf Classic**, August 27-28, Peigan naton. Contact 965-3990 or 965-3991.
- **Open Slowpitch Tournament**, August 27, Howard Buffalo Memorial Centre, Hobbema, Alberta.
- **Cold Lake Golf Tournament**, August 27-28, Cold Lake First Nations reserve. Open Golf Classic (Northern Amateur Championship)
- **Native Education Conference**, August 28-30, High Prairie, St. Andrew's School.
- **Bicentennial Celebration**, August 30-31, Fort Vermilion.
- **Treaty 7 Triathlon**, August 30, Brocket, Alberta. Contact Quint 627-4224.
- **4th Annual Bob Kootenay Memorial Golf**, August 27-28, Junior Golf Course, St. Albert, Alberta.
- **NIAA Golf Championships (Juniors and Peewees)**, Sept. 1-2, Wolfe Creek Golf Course.
- **Sipiishk Fall Jamboree**, Sept. 1-4, Beauval, Sask.
- **NIAA Golf Championships (Adults and Seniors)**, Sept. 2-4, Wolfe Creek Golf Course.
- **Slowpitch Tournament**, Sept. 2-5, Hosted by the Sucker Creek Capital Ball Club. Contact Bruce 523-2217 (home) or 523-4477.
- **Back to Batoche**, Sept. 2-4, Batoche, Sask.
- **Joey Young Pine Memorial Rodeo**, Sept. 3-5, Stand Off, Alberta.
- **Labour Day Rodeo**, Sept. 4-5, Louis Bull reserve.
- **Badminton Camp**, Sept. 5-9, Howard Buffalo Memorial Centre, Hobbema, Alberta.
- **NIAA Mens & Ladies National Fastball Championships**, Sept. 9-11, Sacramento, California. Call Clayton Duncan 1-704-274-1538 for more info.
- **Cultural Celebration Days**, Sept. 16-18, Slave Lake. Hosted by the Slave Lake Native Friendship Centre.
- **Badminton Tournament**, Sept. 17-18, Howard Buffalo Memorial Centre, Hobbema, Alberta.
- **Metis Cultural Days**, Sept. 23-25, Edmonton, Alberta. (Contact Edna Forchuk 453-2099 for Miss Metis Alberta Pageant).
- **Northern Lites Coed Slowpitch**, Sept. 24-25, Howard Buffalo Memorial Centre, Hobbema, Alberta.
- **Basketball Camp**, Sept. 26-29, Howard Buffalo Memorial Centre, Hobbema, Alberta.
- **Sports Awards Night**, Sept. 29, Howard Buffalo Memorial Centre, Hobbema, Alberta.

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HEALING

Simple treatment can alleviate high fevers

Whilst high fevers are alarming, they are not necessarily serious. A recent pediatric journal stated that temperatures -5 C (104 F) are relatively harmless. The temperature may be taken either rectally, orally, or under the armpit. For children under the age of 5 years, a rectal temperature is the most accurate. This tends to be approximately 1 degree C higher than the temperature under the arm.

There are many causes for fever in children. The body has its own temperature control mechanism and treatment should be aimed at assisting these mechanisms as much as possible. Whilst the temperature is rising the child will probably shiver and complain of feeling cold. Once the temperature has peaked and starts to descend, sweating will be profuse and the patient will complain of feeling hot.

Treatment is only recommended for temperatures over 39 C (102 F). Treatment should be instigated for temperatures over 104 F but there is no cause for alarm unless the temperature rises to over 40 C (104 F). Temperatures this high are rare, so remain calm. The recommended treatment for fevers over 104 F are: Keep the room temperature normal; Keep the child lightly dressed; Encourage the child to drink lots of clear, cool fluids; A tepid bath for 15 minutes may often help; Cool sponging with tepid water or rubbing alcohol will often successfully reduce the temperature.

The use of aspirin is being questioned by medical authorities. Some doctors feel the risk of Reyes Syndrome is increased by using aspirin.

The use of aspirin is being questioned by medical authorities. Some doctors feel the risk of Reyes Syndrome is increased by using aspirin or A.S.A. containing products. Acetaminophen (Tylenol) can be given to children and will help to reduce the fever and discomfort; Allow children to sleep without being awakened for medication or further temperature taking; Repeated temperature checking is unnecessary unless the child appears to be deteriorating; If your child has ever had a febrile convulsion, discuss this with the doctor who will provide appropriate

medication to prevent the convulsions should he feel it is necessary.

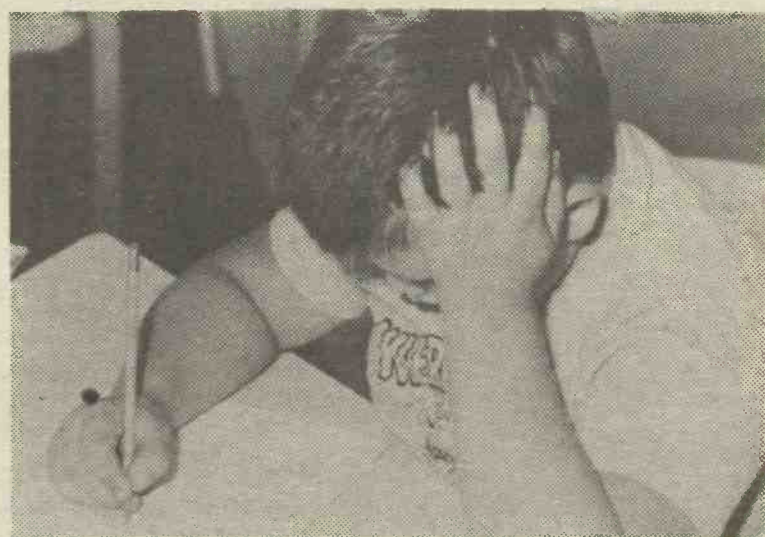
If the preceding measures are applied, most children with a fever will respond. Patience is required and the sponging may have to be continued for several hours. Watch your child carefully and be sure to report any change in symptoms to the doctor. More important signs than the fever are complaints of pain, sore throat, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, neck stiffness, swollen joints and rashes. If in doubt take the child in to see a doctor.

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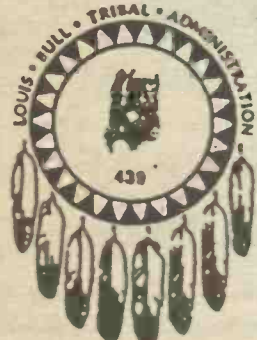
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HEALING

Parents can't be complacent about getting children's needles

These days, we don't hear much about the diseases like diphtheria, polio and whooping cough, the ones that used to cripple or kill many.

The reason for this is preventive medicine, and that means following a recommended immunization schedule for your children. According to Dr. Harold Hodes, regional medicine officer for the medical services branch of Alberta, Department of National Health and Welfare, getting your child his or her needles is the most important step in ensuring healthy nations of people.

"When you don't hear about diseases like polio and diphtheria, you start to think they're not around anymore and people can get complacent about getting needles. But, it's precisely because we have

immunization that these diseases have been (kept under control)," says Dr. Hodes. He encourages mothers to follow this immunization schedule. If this is done, the childhood diseases that can cause serious damage to the brain, lungs, ears, etc. can be prevented.

PRIMARY: 1st visit - 2 months of age - DPT & Polio; 2nd visit - 2 months after 1st visit - DPT & Polio; 3rd visit - 2 months after 2nd visit - DPT; 4th visit - 12 months of age - MMR; 5th visit - 12 months after 3rd visit - DPT & Polio.

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Mumps patients should be kept home after first swelling is noticed

Mumps is an infectious disease which shows itself mainly by swelling of the salivary glands in the side of the face.

Slight fever with pain and swelling below one ear. The area of pain and swelling gradually extends up into the side of the cheek. This swelling usually lifts the lower part of the ear outwards and frequently develops two or three days later on the

other side of the face. The temperature and general illness is usually moderate but may be quite severe.

The mucous membranes of the mouth and throat are usually moderate but may be quite severe. The swelling is frequently sufficient to cause difficulty in swallowing and even difficulty in speaking. It is particularly difficult to swallow sour foods.

As a complication, an

inflammation of the testicle or ovaries is quite common in the post-pubertal age group and infection of other glands, such as pancreas, is occasionally seen.

Incubation period is 12 - 26 days - usually about 18 days.

The local health unit should be notified as soon as diagnosis of mumps is confirmed.

There are no isolation or quarantine procedures to be undertaken.

Exclusion from school and non-family contacts for a period of nine days from the onset of swelling. Those caring for the patient should wash their hands thoroughly after touching the patient or articles he has handled. These articles should be cleaned thoroughly.

Lotions, warm baths, ease chicken pox rash irritation

Chicken Pox is a minor communicable disease, the main feature of which is the rash.

The rash comes on several hours after the first sign of sickness and new spots (blisters) continue to appear in crops for two or three days. The spots first show as little raised lumps on the surface of the skin. Within a few hours they fill with a watery fluid resembling little blisters and in another day or so appear to be filled with pus. During the third and fourth days the pustules dry into a brownish scab which eventually falls off. The rash is more abundant on the body than on limbs or face. The disease is infectious until all the scabs are off. The rash is very itchy. Calamine lotion may be used to relieve the symptoms. Warm baths will assist in separation of scabs.

Infection is spread from case by direct contact, airborne spread or occasionally indirectly by articles

freshly soiled with discharges from the skin or from the nose and throat. Scabs from the lesions are not infective.

The incubation period is two or three weeks, commonly 13 - 17 days.

The local city health department or health unit should be notified as soon as a diagnosis of chicken pox is confirmed.

There are no procedures to undertake regarding isolation or quarantine.

Exclusion from school of the infected person from the time the eruption first appears for seven days. Those caring for the patient should wash their hands thoroughly after touching the patient or articles he has handled. These articles should be cleaned thoroughly.

If the illness is unusually severe the advice of the family physician should be sought.

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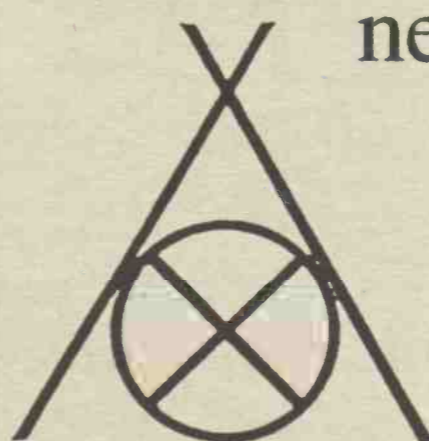
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Dene wedding: *The Lacornes*

Photographs tell story of Dene and Metis

Somba K'e (Yellowknife)
Special to *Windspeaker*

A glimpse at today's Dene and Metis lifestyles is the focus of a new national exhibit of Native Press photographs opening August 7 at the Northern Heritage Centre in Yellowknife.

The first show of its kind in the North and the first regionally-based Canadian collection of photographs by and for Native people, *Photographs In Denendeh* is just a small sampling of the newspaper's celebrated collection of 150,000 images gathered over the last 18 years of operation.

"The Native Press collection is a unique historical, cultural and, often very personal record of our lives in the North", says Bren Kolson, chairman of Native Communications, the Society which publishes the newspaper. "These photographs belong to the Dene and Metis people of Denendeh and we are very proud to return them to the communities in the form of this exhibit and to be able to share them with the rest of Canada."

The exhibit is scheduled to tour every community in the Northwest Territories and to be on view in the number of southern Canadian cities over the next two years.

In 1987, Native Press was chosen by its peers as the best Native newspaper in North America. One of eight awards from Canadian and U.S. aboriginal media associations was won by photo editor Dorothy Chocolate, who is curator and printer of the exhibit. In addition to some of her own work,

other contributions to the show include photographs from J.C. Catholique of Snowdrift, Julie Thrasher of Aklavik, Dollie Lafferty of Fort Resolution, Peter Squirrel of Fort Providence and Violet Mackenzie of Fort Rae, along with Native Press staff photographers.

Dorothy Chocolate, a Dogrib Indian, was born in Fort Rae in 1959 and raised in the remote village of Gameti (Rae Lakes). Her parents still follow a traditional lifestyle, spending much of the year on the land fishing, hunting and trapping. Photographs of these subjects are among Dorothy's favourites. They show the Dene respect for the land and people, following their own laws and customs.

Ms. Chocolate is a founding member of the National Native Indian/Inuit Photographers Association and her work is highly regarded across the country. "Photographs in Denendeh" is her fifth and largest exhibition. Number six opens soon in Haliburton, Ontario.

The Native Communications Society of the Western N.W.T. is a non-profit media organization which, in addition to publishing *Native Press*, also owns and operates CKNM-FM network which broadcasts daily to more than eighteen Dene and Metis communities in the Mackenzie Valley. Established in 1974, the society receives its core-funding from Secretary of State.

Sponsors of *Photographs In Denendeh* include the Northern Heritage Centre, the Canada Council, Shell Canada and Labatt's.

Bill C-31 applications survey out, Treaty population projected to 25%

The results of a survey of Bill C-31 applicants, commissioned by the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development, have been provided to the Assembly of First Nations, the Native Council of Canada and the Native Women's Association of Canada.

It is expected that as a result of the amendments to the Indian Act contained in Bill C-31, the status Indian population will increase by approximately 25 per cent.

"Consultations with respect to Bill C-31 have been ongoing for some time now," said Indian Affairs

and Northern Development Minister, Bill McKnight. "Sharing these survey results with the AFN, NCC and the NWAC will assist them as they carry out their own analysis of the data. We look forward to their comments."

The Coopers & Lybrand Consulting Group was hired to conduct this survey in order to assist the Department in determining the characteristics of the people affected by Bill C-31. In May 1988, the consulting group conducted a telephone survey of 2,244 Indian adult applicants.

The objectives of the survey were to determine: the number of applicant families that have serious intentions of residing on reserve; the composition of those families; the economic circumstances of these families; and the number of individuals that are likely to apply for federal programs available to Indians.

The survey is one of the largest and most comprehensive ever undertaken by the department. Among its findings: the mean age of C-31 adult applicants is 42. The median age is 38; 66 per cent of C-31 applicants are

female; 20 per cent of applicants have some post-secondary education; of all respondents, eight per cent currently reside on-reserve; based on a probability analysis of the responses, it is anticipated that 21 per cent of the applicants will move to a reserve within the next five years.

The survey results are consistent with the Department's own research and will provide additional information required to assist it in responding effectively to the needs of Indians registered under Bill C-31. □

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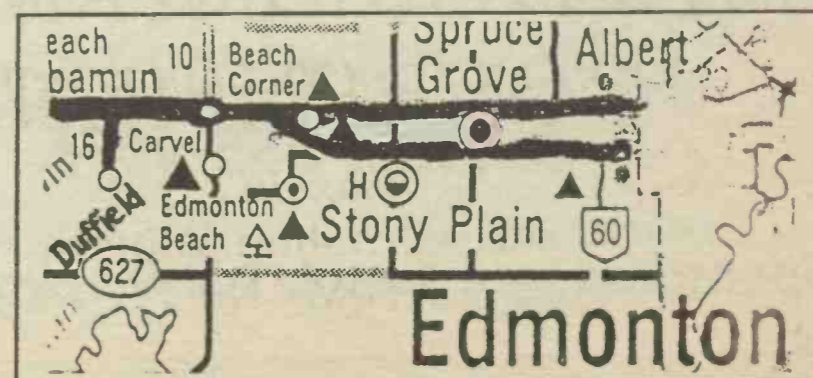
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SPORTS & LEISURE

Grouard Wolves come to life, defeat Driftpile

By Bea Lawrence
Windspeaker Staff Writer

DRIFTPILE, Alta.

The 'A' side Grouard Wolves team came back to defeat the 'B' side Driftpile Swingers in a dynamite five game stretch Sunday at the Driftpile Slow pitch tourney held August 13-14. The Wolves scored 11-8 to win \$1000 cash and, trophy for first place while the Swingers picked up \$600 plus a trophy for second. The Gift Lake Sluggers took \$300 for third.

Pitcher John 'JR' Giroux for the Driftpile Swingers emphatically stated that his team, "won four games straight then unfortunately our luck ran out and we lost in the fifth game."

All star trophy winners from the Grouard Wolves were: center-fielder Lyle Halcrow; leftfielder 'Click' Cardinal; and catcher Roger Capot. All-star Trophy winners from the Driftpile Swingers were: rightfielder Ernie Payou; rover Joe Gauchier; first-baseman Ralph Courtorielle; second-baseman Dean Willier; third-baseman Duke Chalifoux; and short stop, Huckle Giroux. All star coach winner was Dale Laderoute from the Gift Lake Sluggers.

The 1988 Annual Northern Alberta Slow Pitch Tournament heros, the Grouard Wolves are now listed to host the event next year.

Nine teams out of the

original 14 who registered for the two-day event came out to play. "It rained Saturday but it wasn't too bad. The weather cooperated the rest of the time," said JR. "The attendance was not too bad, there was a fair number of people."

There was one minor incident involving an innocent bystander who got hit by a ball. "He was wearing glasses and the frames

scratched his head when he got struck by the ball," said JR. "Aside from this, nobody else was hurt."

"The tournament got off to a slow start but everything else went smoothly afterward. Everyone had a good time. What made it good also was the presence of our band constable and the RCMP who were there to observe and protect," concluded JR.

The Driftpile Swingers, the host and sponsors for this year's tournament, would like to extend their thanks and appreciation to all participants and volunteers who helped to make this event a success. Special recognition is given to the cooks, ticket sellers, and concession booth operators: Alice Giroux; Donna Giroux; Maggie Willier; Theresa Giroux; and Doreen Chalifoux.



Luckless: J.R. Giroux

Golfers put on good show at Blackfoot

By Bea Lawrence
Windspeaker Staff Writer

BLACKFOOT RESERVE, Alta.

Tyler White was the overall champion at the recent Blackfoot golf tournament held at the Siksika Vacation Resort on the Blackfoot reserve Saturday August 6.

White won a first place trophy in the men's championship flight with a 73 score while Dwayne Mistaken Chief and Bill Mistaken Chief placed second and third respectively after a playoff to break their 83 tie score.

The \$30 entrance fee did

not deter the 75 golfers who paid to play in the tournament. Each player got a hat, souvenir pin and golf shirt. "The majority of the players were men," said Tyler White, tournament coordinator. "Only five or six women showed up for the tournament."

Betty Orich topped the rest in the open ladies championship flight with 84. Floria Duckchief won second place with 98 and Freda White took third with 99.

Travis Meguinis shot 84 to win in the junior section. Bill Leigh shot 94 for second and Greg Leigh shot 95 for his third place position.

Melvin White shot 84 for first place in the men's first flight and Bob Mashford placed first in the men's open section for his 90 score.

Sixty dollars was awarded to Bill Leigh for his win in the KP section and White picked up the same for his champion long drive shot of 300 yards.

Merchandise prizes included: Sony stereos to all first place winners along with gold-plated cups which bore the Blackfoot Parks and Recreation insignia. Other merchandise prizes were hats, pins and golf shirts.

A barbecue steak dinner

wrapped up the one-day tourney. "The weather cooperated with us throughout the day and a good time was had by all," said White.

Blackfoot Parks and Recreation, the sponsor group for the tournament would like to thank all participants and volunteers who gave their support to help make this event a success. Special appreciation is extended to Rick Running Rabbit, recreation director; Terrence Bearchief, assistant recreation director; Tyler White, program coordinator; and volunteer member Charlie Duckchief.

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ROUNDUP

By Kim McLain

For Darrell McKay, 19, marathon running has forced him to change his lifestyle — the sport has lifted him from apathy in his school years and now it's taking him to the famous Toronto marathon.

McKay is a Treaty Indian, one of three sons born to Jim and Angie McKay. Jim's stucco trade brought him to Edmonton about 20 years ago from Buffalo Narrows, Sask. The 48-year-old Cree man married Angie, a Cree from the Dene Tha band. Today the whole family lives in the stadium area of Edmonton.

During Darrell's junior high school years he "wasn't into anything, just going to school, partying," says Kim Bezzola, 18, a "close friend and school buddy" for over five years. "He had bad friends and hung around bad groups."

But after Darrell entered high school he began to change — for the better. "He just grew up a little bit," describes Bezzola. He became a very popular guy as his circle of friends began to shift. At home, his relationship with his parents got better.

During that time Darrell gave up his dream of becoming a phys. ed. teacher — he didn't have the marks for university entrance — but decided that he could do just as much good for his fellow Natives by being a policeman.

"He'd be really good at it," says Bezzola. "He really wants to do it, he's in good shape for it and he knows what goes on in the streets."

McKay phoned me after his classes at Grant McEwan college, where he's enrolled in law enforcement.

"Yeah, I hung around with more or less the wrong people. I did some drinking but no drugs," he says. But he felt "something was missing" and soon found that "running was it." People started looking at McKay the runner, not McKay the drinker.

"My parents noticed my running and supported me more," he says. Sports has brought the family closer. His brothers Rocky and Allen are track stars.

And the trip to the 26-mile race in Toronto has Darrell working odd jobs and his mother helping with the cost of plane fare and hotels. That's expensive and it upsets Darrell's friends and family that he has not been approached for sponsorship, especially since he's run faster than many of his colleagues who are getting trips paid for them.

"I want to become a role model for other Native children," says Darrell, adding that "by becoming successful through sports the proper effort will carry into other aspects of my life."

Marathon man changes lifestyle, leaves behind drinking parties on path to famous Toronto race



Going to Toronto marathon: Darrell McKay

Darrell's father says to see his son race in Toronto "would be real nice." He adds: "I tell you he's good for one thing, that's running. He runs every day. He's a damn good runner." Darrell's earned the respect of his father. "I don't wanna tell him nothing — running is his own business," dad says.

Darrell is going to Toronto, paying out of his own pocket whether he gets sponsorship or not. But if you or your company think you can help Darrell, contact the McKay household at 477-2226.

In the meantime, Darrell continues to seriously train hoping to pull off a time between 2:40 and 2:50. That's

fast enough to qualify him for the Boston marathon.

ALEXANDER: For Jerome "Max" Yellowdirt, "it was a real privilege to watch the oldtimers" at the men's 35 and over fastball tournament hosted by the Alexander Oldtimers last August 12-14.

The tournament, said organizer Yellowdirt, brought some one-time-big-name ball players out of the woodwork. Yellowdirt's thoughts sailed back about a decade:

"Earl Kronland used to be one of the best chuckers around. He used to play with the Crownwell Oilers out of Edmonton." The Oilers were one of many teams in the Western Canadian Fastball League.

Also playing at the tourney was Don Puce. "He was a catcher for the Camrose Merchants when they took the world championships."

Another oldtimer known around Indian Country was Bobby Beaulieu. Although Beaulieu didn't play in the western fastball league, he's a big name in hockey circles -- he's famous for his years with Hobbema.

Anyway, enough nostalgia. It was the Edmonton Selects who won the tourney, defeating Calihoo 5-0. "They (Edmonton) really played well -- they had four pitchers and used them all, a real team effort," observed Yellowdirt. "They looked like the ole' super ball players they used to be."

Sterling Crane from Fort Mac came third. Other teams just out of the money were the Alexander Oldtimers, Edmonton Old Bluejays (coached by Eric Fayant), and a pickup team from Alexis, the Rebels.

Meanwhile, Norm and Ernie Arcand put together a co-ed slowpitch tourney which drew six teams. But it was St. Albert versus St. Albert in the final match up -- the Angels held back the Raiders to win 11-7. Other teams were Ern's Alexander Pitbulls, Fort Chip Strikers, Calihoo Chiefs and Butch's Busters (that's Edmonton's Butch Loyer).

And although no-shows forced organizers to reschedule the games with fewer than expected teams, fan support was good, said Yellowdirt about both tournaments.

In fact, the Alexander Oldtimers are going to host another tournament this Sept. 17-19. "But this time the age limit will be 30 and over instead of 35." That five years makes a big difference in team response. For more information about the event contact Jerome Yellowdirt at 939-5887.

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Kind and level of work: The executive director is responsible for all phases of management including administration, promotion, and supervision of all four components (administration, preventive services, treatment services and building maintenance) of the organization. The primary function of the chief administrator is to direct the total organization toward a high standard of operation in achieving the goals and objectives of the treatment centre.

Duties: Oversee the supervision of employees to ensure a staff of competent personnel to best utilize individual and group capabilities; recruit, hire and terminate staff subject to the budget, personnel policies, and approval of the board; assign and reassign personnel within the organization to meet the needs of the centre for a competent staff; arrange, prepare and attend all general meetings and board meetings; inform the board of all information regarding the condition of organization and all significant factors influencing it; insure that board directives, personnel rules and regulations are adhered to, and implemented, in order for the program to operate effectively and efficiently; ensures that accounting procedures are followed in order to have proper financial control and administration; arranges for the preparation of monthly and quarterly financial and program reports to the board, and all funding sources for review, comment, reaction and approval; consult and participate in research and development for continuous personal and intellectual growth of the total organization; maintain good working relations with the board of directors, agencies of government, professional associations, mass media and the public at large; counsels with supervisors on staff requiring training on the organizations time and expense; foster an environment of team work and commitment of total personnel through the organization by developing and improving methods of effective communications.

Knowledge, abilities and skills: This position requires a good planning ability, extensive knowledge of business management - to provide sound recommendations or alternatives to the board as a basis for effective financial and management decisions. Human relations skills are needed to guide, influence and motivate others to attain our goal - serve the public.

Minimum education and experience required: Extensive administrative and management experience in the service of a large organization, with some accounting experience desirable; graduation from a recognized college or university with a degree or equivalent in business administration or related field; or any combination of training and experience which provides the required knowledge, abilities and skills.

Immediate supervisor: Board of Director's - specifically the chairperson. **Deadline date:** August 19, 1988

Send resumes to:
Leslie Tailfeathers
 Vice Chairman
 St. Paul Treatment & Training Centre
 for Alcohol and Drug Abuse
 Box 179
 Cardston, Alberta TOK OKO



JOB OPPORTUNITY COUNSELLOR

Kind and Level of Work: The Counsellor is responsible for all aspects of counselling psychology. The role of the Counsellor is the promotion of personal and cultural growth with emphasis on assisting clients to develop their abilities and interests in order to realize their full potential - self-awareness. In general, the Counsellor's primary responsibility is to the "clients."

Duties: Assist and participate in intake procedure - a) Record and compile all necessary admittance forms b) Orient clients on conditions of residential care including policies, house rules, ground rules, room assignments, meal times, laundry days, duties of key personnel c) Inquire and report clients on medication and clients with physical handicaps, especially to the evening Counsellor; plan, record and maintain daily and weekly session schedules of program content; prepare and facilitate sessions for residential clients; provide counselling services to residential clients including one to one counselling, group counselling and family counselling and assist them with other related chemically dependency problems; prepare and record all necessary clients reports such as intake, progress, discharge summary, etc.; report on problem areas and incidents with clients during daily consultation with Treatment Services coordinator (inpatient); perform other related duties and functions to supplement the program content such as showing films and other visual presentations; undertake other related and required duties as requested by the Treatment Services coordinator.

Minimum education and experience required: Experience in social work or other closely related behavioral science field with concentration in counselling; graduation from a standard high school supplemented by courses in basic and advanced counselling or any combination of training and experience which provides the required knowledge, abilities and skills.

Other requirements: Must have a valid Driver's License; at least one year sobriety and must be familiar with the Blackfoot language and Indian culture.

Salary: Negotiable **Deadline:** August 19, 1988

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LEARNING

Qualified student consultants assist Native communities

By Bea Lawrence
 Windspeaker Staff Writer

EDMONTON

University students who wish to adopt a keen awareness into Native issues and communities can find direction into this field of work through the Indian Management Assistance Program (IMAP) or the First Nations Resource Council (FNRC) in Edmonton. The FNRC is a derivative, private, non-profit institute of IMAP.

Formerly operated by the Department of Indian Affairs since its establishment in 1985, IMAP's administration body has just been transferred over to the FNRC which employs five full-time staff members.

This summer, there were 60 to 70 part-time employees on staff at the FNRC due to the large number of students who found work there. More than 50 of these employees are university graduates who were placed throughout Alberta as consultants; the highest



Discussing project: Sherri Chisan, Robert MacNeil

number of IMAP's four-year history.

A press release from the office of the FNRC informed Windspeaker that IMAP is a cross-cultural program dedicated to the exchange of ideas and concepts between highly-qualified student consultants and Alberta's Native communi-

ty. Their projects range in focus from beach development marketing strategies to the implementation of sophisticated computer packages.

One of the attractions of the program is the opportunity to live in a Native community. The non-Native students in the program "learn by doing" and quickly become accustomed to living in a culturally different environment.

"The kind of activity in a band office is different from a business office," explained Alexander band's human resources manager, Rupert Arcand. "Staff responsibilities are broader than the job titles. It takes time to react to that and some don't know how to deal with it."

"Band proposals are most welcome to secure the help of the summer student consultants. We do our best in screening prospective students to suit their job applications," adds FNRC community relations coordinator, Ann Angebrandt.

"We get the cream of the crop. The universities are sold on it and they are talking to their best students because the projects tax student resources to the maximum. You get a gut feeling about the appropriate candidate. You'd be surprised how accurate we get," said Robert MacNeil, regional director of the management development at Indian and Northern Affairs.

"Bands in Alberta are working at a fast pace. The economic downturn has left them with reduced resources. And they know a good thing when they see it," said MacNeil.

The students are part of a select group which includes business administration, law and political science graduates who spend the months of May to September developing

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GRANDE PRAIRIE REGIONAL COLLEGE
 Extension Services
 requires an

ADULT BASIC EDUCATION INSTRUCTOR

An Adult Trades and Technology/Job Readiness Training Instructor is required for the Eagles Path Education Project, located in Grande Cache, Alberta. This project will introduce a variety of occupational classes to native adults at a basic level, and will focus on the Trades and Service Industry established in the Grande Cache area.

Employment will commence on September 4 and conclude on November 10, 1988. This position may be continued if further funding is available. Preference will be given to the candidate who has a B.Ed. and a Journeyman's Ticket in a certified Trade, however, others with relevant experience are invited to apply. Experience in a multicultural environment will be an asset. Salary will commensurate with qualifications and experience.

Applicants are invited to send a resume before August 26, 1988 to the Human Resources Department



Grande Prairie
 Regional College

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CONSULTANTS

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financial administration guidelines, conducting legal research and refining band economic development plans.

"Earlier in the spring, posters were sent out to the Canada Employment Centre at the University of Alberta," said Angebrandt. She adds that future considerations will possibly include college graduates and job opportunity notices will be posted at their locations also.

Following is a list of some types of summer projects and locations that were available for the students' practical experience in their chosen fields of expertise: Forestry and Gas Project/High Level; Accounting & Computer Training/Little Red River; Computer Assistance & Financial Management/Fort Chipewyan & Fort McKay; Financial Management & Tax Research/Lesser Slave Lake Regional Council; Business Management/Sawridge; Research for Hunting Resort/Heart Lake; Research for Tourist Resort/Beaver Lake; Business Development & Financial Assistance/Goodfish Lake;

Administration/Kehewin; Organizational Development/Alexis; Policy & Procedures Manual/Alexander & Peigan & Blood; Communications Project/Blue Quills Native Council; Financial Management & Program Management/Frog Lake; Tax Research/Samson; Tourism Marketing/Morley; Research/IAA; and Housing Inventory, Self-Government, Legal Research, Lands, Resources and Trust were all interdepartmental projects offered in Edmonton,

IMAP's growing success is due to: the quality and sophistication of the projects identified by Native groups; the increasing number of student consultants placed in the field who gain a sensitivity to the complexities of Indian band management and Native concerns; the interest in the program from Alberta's universities who view IMAP as a sophisticated cross-cultural work opportunity for their graduate students; the transfer of IMAP administration to the FNRC, to increase the availability of alternative funding sources; the subsequent savings gained for Native groups by supplying them with formally-educat-

ed consultants at a fraction of the cost they would pay professionals.

"To get a consultant full-time for four months costs you an arm and a leg," says Arcand.

Alberta leads the country in the number of students placed by this cross-Canada program. About one-third of placements are of Native origin. Most successful candidates in past years were from Alberta states the press release.

MacNeil adds, "In speaking with the student's professors, I'm told they return to their universities with a level of maturity much greater than you'd expect from a typical summer job. The students, many in their mid-twenties and thirties also benefit and become well-rounded individuals from their summer work experience."

This year, the program provided more than \$300,000 worth of consulting services to Alberta's Native groups.

A summer wrap-up conference is scheduled to be held at the Sawridge Hotel in Slave Lake, Aug. 25-27. "The conference will create an ideal forum for all IMAP participants to report their personal experiences, present observations and formulate conclusions," concludes Angebrandt.

NORTHLAND SCHOOL DIVISION #61

ASSISTANT SUPERVISOR OF NATIVE PROGRAMS

The successful applicant will assist the Supervisor of Native Programs in:

1. Supervising 18 Native (Cree/Chipewyan) Language Programs in the Division.
2. Providing Inservice to Native Language Instructors in the Division.
3. Liaising with the Alberta Education and outside agencies in the development and implementation of Native Language Programs.
4. Developing and implementing First and Second Language Programs in the Division.

QUALIFICATIONS:

The successful applicant will:

1. Have fluency or extensive knowledge of either Cree or Chipewyan.
2. Have completed most requirements for a Bachelor of Education degree.
3. Be assertive
4. Be willing to live in Peace River.
5. Be willing to travel extensively in northern Alberta.

Candidates with a Bachelor of Education degree or graduate work with previous work experience in Native Languages and/or Native Studies will be favored.

Send resumes with supporting documentation and names of 3 professional references to:

Brian Callaghan
Superintendent
of Schools and Human Resources
Northland School Division No. 61
Bag 1400
Peace River, Alberta
T0H 2X0
Deadline for applications: August 29, 1988



Bigstone Cree Band — Education Authority Desmarais, Alberta Open Job Competition

1. Provincial Tuition Agreement Administrator 2. Assistant Administrative Clerk

Required by the Bigstone Cree Band: Education Authority Office and Operations, 1. Provincial Tuition Agreement Administrator (full-time); 2. Assistant Clerk - Administrative position (part-time).

The Bigstone Band Education Authority Office & Operations is a dynamic and growing service, serving the Bigstone Cree Band membership, either on/off reserve and the isolated communities in Northern Alberta.

Under the supervision and direction of the Director of Education, the successful, qualified candidates for these positions will be responsible for; as a unit; to work together and duties thereof:

Reports to the Director of Education and to the Chairman of the Bigstone Education Authority — board; and also to the Portfolio Holder of Education.

Responsible for implementation and development of, and maintenance of quality education support services to Indian children as specified in the Tuition Agreement on behalf of the Bigstone Cree Band.

Administers and monitors the Tuition Agreement in general, as specified to the terms of the Tuition Agreement are carried out and adhered to by both parties.

Performance of Duties in a working, cooperative relationship with the Northland School Division, the following:

1. Planning and Organizing:
 - enrollment statistics, nominal rollemtn count.
 - annual school budgets and schedules.
 - discipline policy for students.
 - recommendations to Northland School Division, School Board.
 - developing an orientation for teachers.
 - selection of materials regarding history, traditions, and culture of the Cree peoples.
 - development of language and cultural programs.
 - development of a drop-out recovery program annually implemented.
2. Staffing: Monitoring and Evaluating:
 - participates in personnel committee.
 - participates in school evaluations.
3. Coordinating and Administering:
 - administers nominal roll count.
 - administers tuition monthly payments.
 - interprets the Northland School Division Audit for purpose of the Tuition Agreement.
 - administers payments for special programs.
 - meets to discuss Indian students' welfare with the Northland School Division Board, Local School Board Committees.
4. Controlling and Managing:
 - ensure that the terms of the Tuition Agreement are carried out and adhered to by both parties: the Northland School Division #61 -Corporate Board and the authority of the Bigstone Band Education Authority.

Qualifications Preferred:

1. University Degree, preferred B. Educ. with School Administration experience or related training.
2. Grade 12 Diploma or Equivalency Diploma (G.E.D.) with post-school training in computers, some accounting necessary.

Equivalents:

Equivalencies with related training and experience shall be considered for both positions applied for, either #1 or #2.

Note: These positions are both permanent based on satisfactory performance (within a three-month probationary period).

Salary:

Commensurate based on qualifications, pegged on present salary grid.

Closing date: August 26, 1988, at 12:00 noon.

Interviews and Selections: August 31, 1988

Please Apply By Letter; Send Attached - A Resume To:

ATTENTION: H. Adrian Yellowknee
Director of Education
Bigstone Band Education Authority
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Saturday Sept. 24

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*Miss Metis Alberta Entries:
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Deadline: Sept. 19, 1988*

