

Officer admits mistake

By Jackie Red Crow
Windspeaker Correspondent

STAND OFF, Alta.

An RCMP officer admitted his heavy workload may have led him to make hasty judgment calls in handling the case of a missing Native, an inquiry into a series of deaths on the Blood Indian reserve heard yesterday.

Const. Douglas Webber told the Rolf Commission yesterday that some mistakes were made in the handling of the disappearance of Travis Many Grey Horses.

Webber told Commissioner Carl Rolf he could not explain why he treated Many Grey Horses' mysterious death as a suicide.

The 19-year-old was found floating in the Oldman River near Lethbridge in April, 1987, about six months after his disappearance.

His death is the first of five to be investigated by

the commission, meeting at Stand Off, about 90 km southwest of Lethbridge.

The \$2-million inquiry, expected to last into the fall, was called by Alberta Premier Don Getty to probe the suspicious deaths of five members of the Blood tribe over the last 12 years.

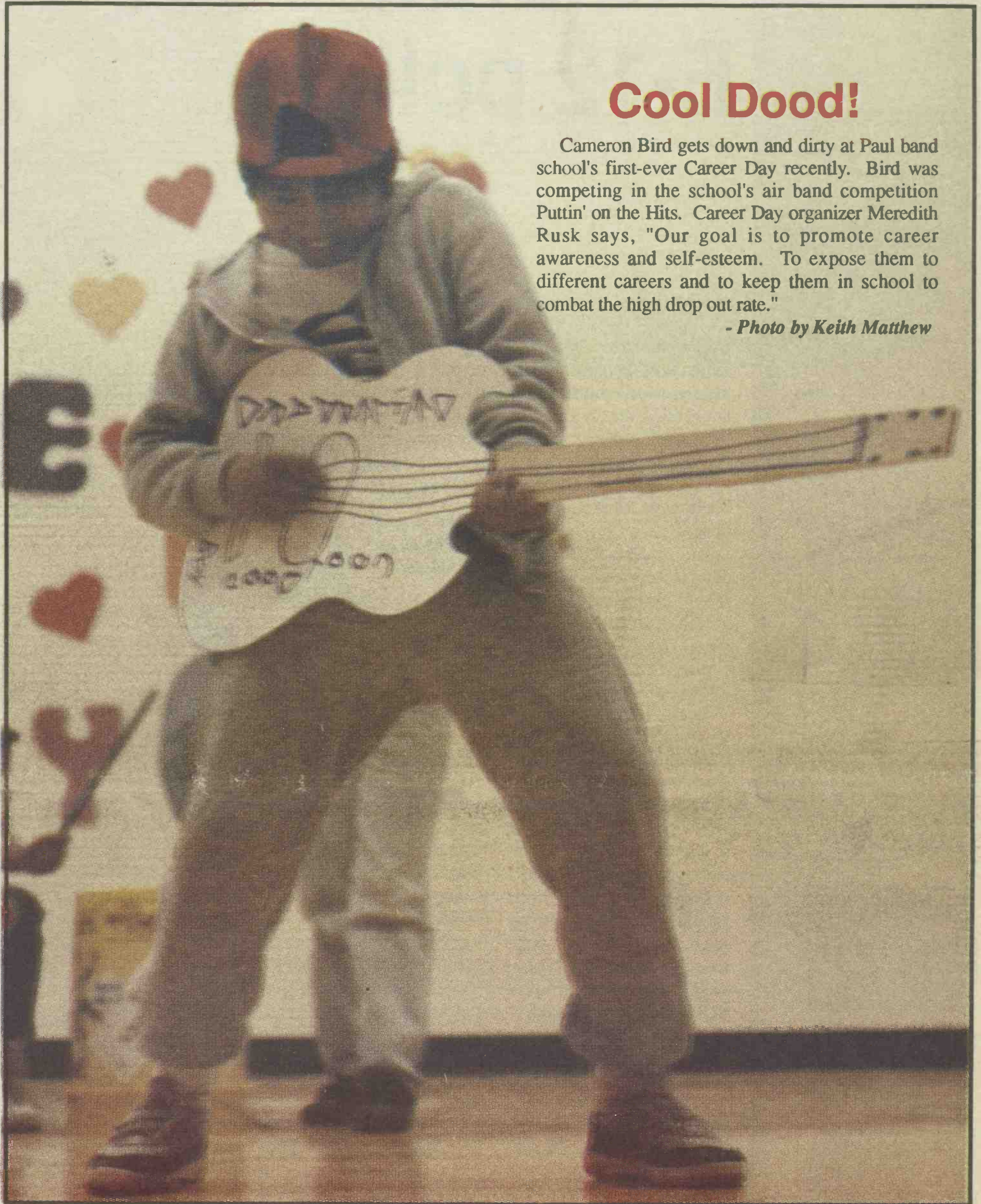
It comes less than three weeks after Lethbridge police fatally shot a Blood member outside a local hotel.

The first month will be spent investigating the deaths of five Bloods: Alvin Shot Both Sides, Sedrick Morning Owl, Christopher Twigg and Ivan Gary Chief Moon.

Evidence before the inquiry showed Webber reported Many Grey Horses had committed suicide.

However, the young man's family doesn't accept the police report and believes Many Grey Horses met with foul play.

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Cool Dood!

Cameron Bird gets down and dirty at Paul band school's first-ever Career Day recently. Bird was competing in the school's air band competition Puttin' on the Hits. Career Day organizer Meredith Rusk says, "Our goal is to promote career awareness and self-esteem. To expose them to different careers and to keep them in school to combat the high drop out rate."

- Photo by Keith Matthew

Fasters going broke

By Jeff Morrow
Windspeaker Staff Writer

OTTAWA

A hunger strike by Native students has reached a "crisis point" in the fight against changes to funding for Indian education.

The student's protest headquarters in Ottawa is in danger of closing its doors because it they can't pay their bills, said spokesman Beverly Scrow.

The Native Women's Association of Canada (NWAC) has been sponsoring the student hunger strikers and other protesters

across the country.

Scrow, 22, fears the protest will be abandoned and the issue will be forgotten, if the students are forced out of their office.

"The Native Women's Association of Canada has been hospitable but now they're going to be getting a phone bill and fax bill pretty quickly and it's going to floor them," she said in a phone interview from Ottawa.

"We need to have information (about the education cuts) accessible to more groups. But I know it costs money. Now, we're in major debt," Scrow said.

Since the student group began their protest March 22 in Thunder Bay, Ont., it has received national attention.

Fourteen Native students began the strike after Indian Affairs Minister Pierre Cadieux announced changes to the guidelines for post-secondary education funding for Native students.

The protesters wanted a moratorium on the changes until Natives and the Department of Indian Affairs could negotiate them.

So far, Cadieux has offered to look at the program and consider changes

but he refuses to grant a moratorium.

Scrow said the students did not want to rely on the NWAC to pay for the protest, but a fund-raising drive to support their efforts never materialized.

"Everyone has been very supportive. But in terms of funding, we're reaching our limit," she said.

Scrow said strategies like organizing a delegation to visit international forums and seeking media exposure outside Canada will now likely become the focus of the protest.

"We've made some headway in educating people

about Canada's Aboriginal people and their rights. It's obvious we still have a long way to go to inform the people of the world," she said.

Emil Bell, the only remaining hunger striker in Ottawa, says he isn't prepared to give up his fast anytime soon.

Bell, 48, has been joined by a mother and daughter team who have taken up the protest in Buffalo, N.Y.

Alethea and Carol Eichornn have been fasting for more than two weeks. They are originally from Saskatchewan.

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Brass says withdraw E-12 policy

By Susan Enge
Windspeaker Staff Writer

EDMONTON

The federal government has made a mistake by setting a spending limit on Indian post-secondary funding and should withdraw its new policy, the president of the Saskatchewan Indian Federated College charges.

"A cap is unrealistic. There have been no projections done on the needs of Indian students for the next decade or two," said Dr. Oliver Brass said after a speech at a luncheon sponsored by the Women's Canadian Council in Edmonton May 10.

Brass, a Saulteaux Indian from the Saskatchewan Peepeekisis reserve, is puzzled how the federal government could develop a new policy and implement it without meeting or consulting with Indian leaders.

According to their treaties, the federal government is still legally bound to ensure the Indian people's education is equivalent to the white man, he said.

"The Saskatchewan Treaty Indians see post-secondary education (as) being a treaty right, totally and absolutely. It could be settled in the courts. But, the federal government is just trying to save money. It's a tactic on their part," he said.

Should the Indian lobby effort to keep the old policy,

which imposes no funding limit, be successful, all Treaty Indian students must change their attitudes, said Brass.

He said tighter guidelines must be imposed on all students to ensure abuses of post-secondary funds do not continue.

For example, Brass said there are some students who stretch their four-year degree program into eight

by carrying "half-a-load" of courses at university. And, he said that has to stop.

"Students shouldn't be allowed to dabble a great deal. They should be counselled and have a career objective in mind," he stressed.

Brass said the new Minister of Indian and Northern Affairs Pierre Cadieux is "in the talking mood now" and is prepared to make some changes to E-12, the proposed treaty Indian education policy.

"I spoke to him last week and he is going to be compromising," he said.

After all, the Indian people are the original occupants of this country who "bargained away their country for some rights," he pointed out.

He holds a Doctorate in Psychology and a Bachelor's degree in Arts and Theology. Brass has served as president at the Saskatchewan Indian Federated College since 1986.



Indian college president: Dr. Oliver Brass

Law expert: Court action could harm treaty

By Jeff Morrow
Windspeaker Staff Writer

OTTAWA

Alberta's Treaty 7 Indians have a strong case against the federal government over education rights but little chance of winning a lawsuit against it, says an Aboriginal law expert with the Canadian Bar Association.

And the judicial process could hurt First Nations' chances of coming to an acceptable agreement with the minister of Indian and Northern Affairs, said Brad Morse, Aboriginal Law professor at the University of

Ottawa.

"For one thing the government really takes a hard-line position at being sued. They will naturally require strict proof that post-secondary education is a Treaty right. It's going to be difficult to prove in a court of law," Morse said.

When the Treaties were signed in Alberta, says Morse, they didn't refer specifically to post-secondary education.

"And I suspect the federal government will take the position that it is only obligated to make education available, not provided free of charge, and then only for primary and secondary

schools," he said.

However, Morse believes Treaty Indians of Alberta stand a good chance of bringing its case to the Supreme Court of Canada.

In the late 1800s, when the Treaties were signed, government agents may have had trouble communicating in the Cree language when negotiating educational opportunities for Indians, he said. "Without even looking at the nature of the case I believe they have a stronger argument than most First Nations do because of the presence of expressed language," he says.

Morse also warns that legal action against the fed-

eral government may result in years of delays that could damage future consultation.

While the case is held up in the courts, Indian Affairs Minister Pierre Cadieux doesn't have to discuss his actions concerning post-secondary cutbacks with Native leaders.

"They'll motion them to death. They'll appeal every decision. It could take five to seven years," he says.

Blood band council member Narcisse Blood feels Alberta Natives have been left with little recourse but to sue the federal government.

He says members of his Treaty 7 band are carefully

considering all their options but are leaning toward filing legal action against Cadieux.

"The minister came out and said post-secondary education is not a Treaty right and we are welcome to sue to prove it," Blood said.

"Well, that's what we're considering. We know we have to be very careful because the legal system hasn't always worked to our benefit. And we know the consequences of having a ruling against us are severe. But we are left with few options," he said.

SUSAN ENGE, Windspeaker

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Winter kills fish biz

By Susan Enge
Windspeaker Staff Writer

ATIKAMEG, Alta.

Thousands of dead whitefish which surfaced after winter's thaw are threatening to destroy Utikama Lake's \$1-million fishing industry.

On record as one of the worst winters since 1948, fishermen have given up hopes of filling their nets with high quality whitefish this year.

If government estimates are correct, about half-a-million pounds of fish will be scattered along the lake's shorelines in a few weeks, rather than in the nets of the 250 local fisherman.

"I was angry for awhile, especially after 30 of my nets came out blank at the end of March. Everyone came home with a sad face," said Dwayne Thunder, a 28-year-old Cree with 15 years commercial fishing experience on the lake.

Thunder cast his first net into Utikama waters when he was 16.

Since then, he has been pulling in \$3,000 a season with the help of his brother and father.

"No more holidays," said the father-of-three.

Instead, the money he makes this year will come solely from his grocery store and gas station.

A fisheries technician with the province's Fish &

Wildlife division in Peace River says their analysis points to a number of factors leading to the natural disaster.

"The long winter season experienced in northern Alberta, the heavy snowfall and the thick opaque ice all led to the disastrous winter kill," Don Schroeder said from his office in Peace River.

"There was no photosynthesis from the plants; no production of oxygen because of these conditions," Schroeder said.

Because whitefish depend on high levels of oxygen, the fish literally suffocated, he said.

He said the department tested the lake's oxygen

levels in mid-February but did not predict that a massive winter kill was to come.

Even if scientists could have predicted the deaths, there is little they could do to prevent it, he added.

Only lakes that are 100 acres or less can be pumped with oxygen if the levels are dangerously low. Utikama Lake is 68,000 acres in size.

However, the jackfish in the lake survived since they are a hardier species and can withstand lower levels of oxygen.

He says the department will be sending technicians to the area after the thaw to conduct an aerial survey to try to determine how many

whitefish have died.

Fisheries officers will also conduct shoreline counts and test the lake to see if any whitefish have survived.

"This was one of the best lakes in northern Alberta for commercial fishing. The whitefish were of the best quality for exporting and human consumption," Schroeder said.

Whitefish from the lake

are marketed throughout the northeastern United States by the Freshwater Fish Marketing Corporation.

Since the disaster, some local fisherman have decided to toss their nets into nearby lakes.

Guy Leroux, president of the Fishing Association in Atimakeg, said he has moved to fish at Lesser Slave Lake.

NEWS BRIEFS

Fatal hunting accident for teen

A 17-year-old Duffield youth died in hospital after being accidentally shot in the head during a rabbit-hunting expedition.

Jeremy Saulteaux was injured Monday when a .22-calibre rifle discharged as he and a 13-year-old hunting companion were returning from a hunting trip on the Paul Band Indian Reserve, about 50 km southwest of Edmonton, said Stony Plain RCMP.

Saulteaux died Tuesday at about 5 p.m. at University Hospital.

Duffield is located on the reserve.

Bishops want moratorium

OTTAWA - Canada's Catholic Bishops are backing Natives' demands for a moratorium on a new funding policy for post-secondary education for Natives.

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops wrote a letter to Prime Minister Brian Mulroney last week pledging their support.

The policy changes the terms of a \$130-million program that pays tuition and living expenses for 15,000 status Indians attending college or university.

Aborigines death probe widened

SYDNEY - An inquiry into the deaths of Aborigines in police custody has expanded to examine why so many Natives are jailed in Australia.

The royal commission probing the deaths is alarmed by statistics that show Aborigines, who make up only one per cent of the country's 16 million population, are six times more likely to go to jail than white Australians.

An interim report urges Australian states to abolish drunkenness as a criminal offence, indicating this is perhaps the reason so many Aborigines are arrested.

The commission is investigating the deaths while in police custody of 104 Aborigines during a period between 1980 and 1987.

Many Native activists have blamed police brutality for the deaths, while others believe jail can lead Aborigines to despair and eventual suicide.

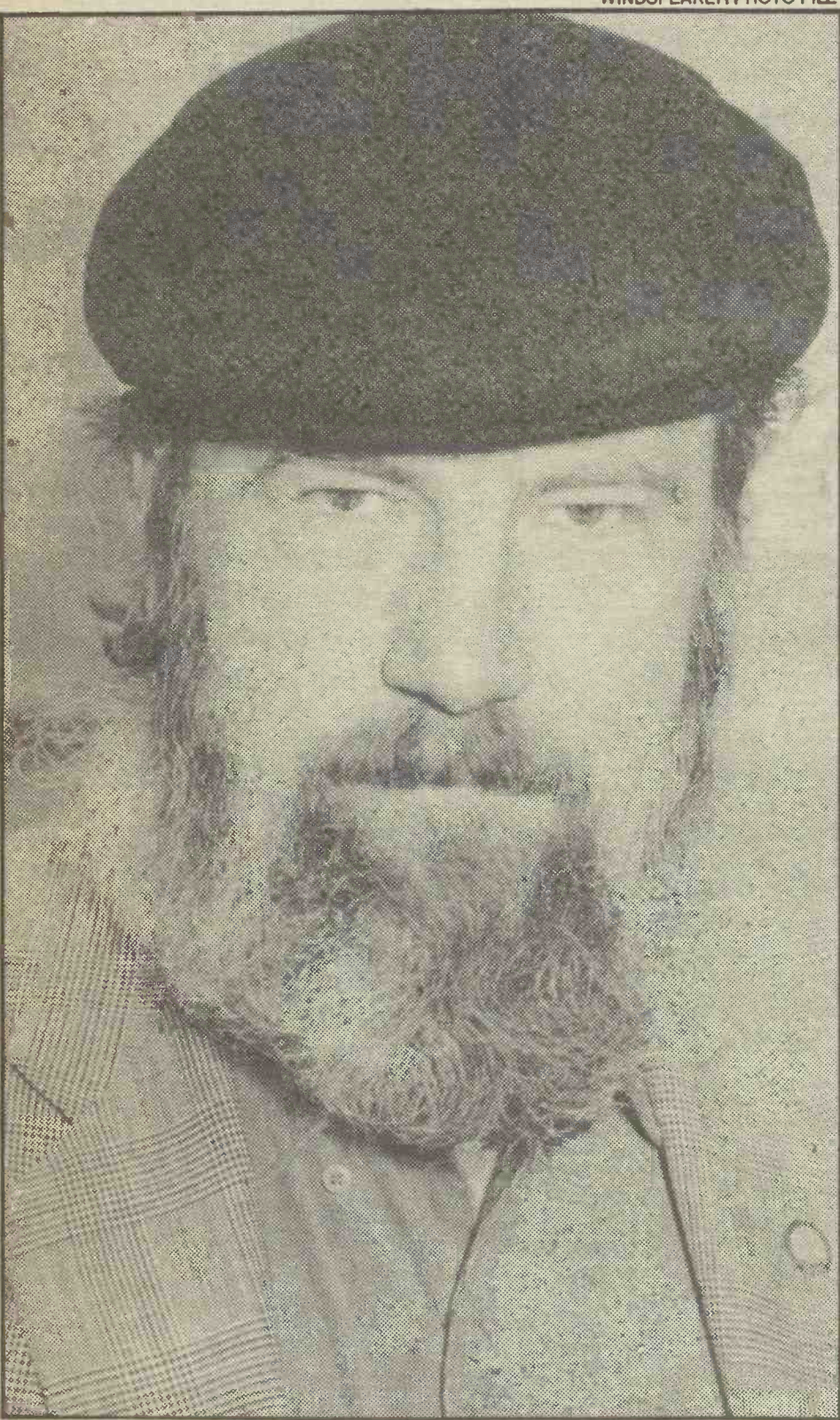
Innu flight fight funded

QUEBEC - Ottawa will fund the Innu's bid for a court injunction to stop low-level flying over their traditional hunting land.

A lawyer for the 9,500-member band said he will file a temporary injunction in federal court within the next two weeks.

The money for the court order will come from the court challenges program established by the Department of the Secretary of State in 1985 to fund important test cases across Canada.

The Innu say the NATO flights are scaring away animals they need to survive and turning their traditional hunting grounds into an international battleground.



Consulting lawyer: Clint Buehler, MAA executive

Local 44 transfers MAA assets

By Susan Enge
Windspeaker Staff Writer

EDSON

The Metis from Edson voted last month to dissolve their local and transfer all assets and liabilities to the town's friendship centre, ending a tumultuous year with the Metis regional council and the Metis Association of Alberta.

The Metis wanted to end a year of strained relations with the two Metis bodies which acted as a "very negative force," said Metis local 44 president Sharon Johnstone-Martel.

"Based on all that has transpired in the past few months, our membership made the transfer so that negative political influences will be tossed aside and will be unable to deter or harm the community programming in the future," Johnstone-Martel states in an April 25 press release.

Assets of the Metis local include such items as a van, a bus, office equipment and the building in which the local is housed. Johnstone-Martel estimated the assets could be worth over \$100,000.

The transfer of these assets were effective immediately following the local's board meeting. However, no actual relocation is necessary. The Edson friendship centre is located in the same building as the Metis local.

"There's really no difference. It's the same people and the same community," said Johnstone-Martel, also president and administrator of the Edson Friendship Centre.

The Metis Association of Alberta's board of directors have discussed the local's recent actions and decided to leave the problem in the hands of the Zone IV regional council, said executive-director Clint Buehler.

He said the council "have a lawyer looking at it" to determine whether the transfer of assets and liabilities is legal.

While local 44 board members voted to dissolve their organization, another group of Metis have met and struck up another.

Once their papers are in order the MAA board of directors will probably ratify it immediately and welcome the new local to the association, said Buehler.

Joe Blyan, Zone IV's regional council vice-president, was unavailable for comment.

Mistake admitted

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Webber admitted under oath he should have enlisted the help of the investigation unit of the Lethbridge RCMP and Lethbridge police sooner to locate the missing man.

His statements prompted the dead man's mother, Mary Louise Many Grey Horses, to storm out of the inquiry held at the reserve's Senator Gladstone Hall.

Outside the inquiry, Many Grey Horses told reporters she believes her

son was murdered and that police have not investigated his death properly.

She said she had been given "the run-around" when she tried to notify police in Lethbridge and Cardston about the mysterious circumstances surrounding his disappearance.

The inquiry was unusually quiet Wednesday while many attended the funerals of two reserve residents.

The probe into how police handled the deaths began May 9 with a stern warning from the judge for all parties to keep their emotions in check.

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Wind speaker

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YOUR WORDS

Skin color-analyst-doorman?

Dear Editor:
RE: "Skin conflict in all-Native team sport"
This letter is in response to the article which appeared in the April 21 edition of Windspeaker, authored by Eugene (Bird) Arcand — entitled Skin Speaks Out on Hockey Hypocrisy.

It must be said that the article was very misleading. It seems as though Mr. Arcand was highly insulted because he felt that the Alexis hockey team was breaking the all-Native hockey rules as some "skins" did not quite meet the requirements in an all-Native grouping. The fact that the player in question is Metis, one of the Aboriginal peoples of Canada seems to

escape the author. It is true that it's about time everyone "grew up" in this modern-day Indian perspective. If we start admitting the fact that if all the so-called "non-Aboriginal" intruders were to be banned from "all Native functions," there would only be a small handful of full-blooded Indians left.

Perhaps Mr. Arcand should be made honorary "skin color-analyst-doorman" to police this hypocritical abuse of his heritage. By the way, didn't Alexis come out as the second overall winners? And this after playing five consecutive games back to back?

Gladys Kyme
Alexis Band



Bill C-31: Divides families

Steinhauer rapped

Dear Editor:
In reference to a recent letter which appeared in your paper by Chief Eugene Steinhauer of the Saddle Lake band.

Mr. Steinhauer, I disagree with your assumptions about the Indian women who have finally regained their Treaty status after so many years of battling with the federal government.

You claim to represent the interests of the members of the Saddle Lake band by speaking out against this bill that allows the return of these many women and their children.

You speak out so readily against a bill that corrects an injustice. But where were you when you were needed by these women when they were losing their status for marrying non-Indians? If you're so opposed to the federal government's correcting of this injustice, where were you and your recommendations? Why did you not speak out then against a policy that allowed for non-Indian women to marry Indian men and gain every right that these Indian women were stripped of.

This bill is not part of a scheme by the federal government to do away with the collective rights and special status of our Indian nation, as you would have us

believe. The federal government had no other alternative but to give in to these Indian women's demands.

The federal government were humiliated into submission. That was not an easy task I'm sure. Just ask Jenny Margetts, Nellie Carlson or any one of the handful of Indian women across this nation who fought this battle.

I think you're spending too much time, chief, on a non-issue. I think your time could be better spend on other real issues such as the cutbacks in post-secondary education which is presently threatening our future leaders.

Let's open our arms to these battle-weary Indian women and their children. We stand to learn a lot from them. You say you fight for the rights that our people now enjoy. Wouldn't you agree with me then, that we should harness the experience that these women have endured. They've lost those rights, but they've won the battle to regain them as well.

Common sense should tell you that they will battle twice as hard should those rights be threatened again. To forgive and to share is our way.

In Support of the Indian Women,
She Who Bears Our Future,
J.A. Wapoose

Jet objects to Arcand letter

Dear Editor:
I take very strong objection to Eugene Arcand's comments singling out the team from the Alexis band regarding the use of non-Native hockey players.

We have been complaining for years that a Native tournament should be just that — a Native tournament, played and coached by Native people only.

This deplorable practice has been used or abused by other bands, to their benefit, on a much larger scale than by Alexis.

For example, the four players that were not Alexis band

members have played in practically all Native tournaments in Alberta, and for most other bands.

We have been discriminated by having had to play against teams that used semi-professionals and rigged time schedules, as well as used their own referees!

Mr. Arcand would be well advised to look at the facts, before he tries to make an example of the Alexis band.

Dan Alexis
Coach
Alexis Jets

Teacher appreciates good news

Dear Editor:
I am writing from Cross Lake, Manitoba. The community's population is nearing 4,000. I am a Grade 7 language arts teacher at Cross Lakes' Otter Nelson River school.

I obtained and read a copy of your Windspeaker newspaper. I am happy to say that it is an outstanding newspaper. I personally liked the reports of Native trends

and cultural events that are taking place across Canada. This is good news. We do not see much of it on TV, but that is alright.

I would like to continue reading and hearing more of Native people and their lifestyle, trends, culture, endeavors and sports. Until then, I remain.

William Osborne
Cross Lake

Handwritten text in Cree syllabics, likely a letter or a notice from a community member.

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RCMP step up band policing

By Jeff Morrow
Windspeaker Staff Writer

ST. PAUL, Alta.

The St. Paul RCMP detachment has stepped up policing on reserves during the past six months.

It hasn't been because there was an increase in crime, says Staff Sgt. Jim Fell. It is because there was a need to inspire community involvement.

Last November, the RCMP set up satellite units on the Whitefish and Saddle Lake reserves to make police more accessible to band members. According to Fell, there were other reasons as well.

He says there was a need to create a rapport between the RCMP and reserves so the job of policing could be made easier.

"We were receiving feedback from the community that 'the only time you would see police up here was to pick somebody up.' But we are trying to improve that situation by having police around all the time. Now, when they see a police car on the reserve, it doesn't mean the police are there to do any enforcement," he says.

Fell says the RCMP was given access to offices on each reserve. There are three Native liaison officers and three regular constables stationed at the offices during working hours.

He says it's important for the officers to be close to the community so they can create a bond through understanding and trust.

Another important

advantage, he noted, is the programs they were able to set up at local schools.

Programs on substance abuse and vandalism are now a big part of reserve classrooms, he says. The officers work with the local social organizations in setting up presentations and discussion panels on the subjects.

"We want to be more than police. We don't want to be there not just on a formal basis, but informal as well. We want people to feel free to come in, have a cup of coffee and chat. . . We have been getting positive feedback from it," he says.

Whitefish Lake band chief Ernest Houle says the relationship between the police and his band has improved, but the idea will take time to catch on.

"There was no communication before— just when

they (band members) were in trouble. It looked like it wasn't going to pan out at first. It is slowly beginning to pick up. We know they're here to talk," he says.

Fell says his units are working side-by-side the tribal police and offering them tips on policing. He says he wants the whole reserve to know the officers are available to assist in complaints and band problems.

The concept was born out of a lack of understanding by the RCMP, says Fell, because officers were only sent to the reserve when they were needed.

"Now it's a common thing to see an officer on the reserve. Instead of continuing to fight the fire, we thought it would be best to catch the arsonist. It makes the process a whole lot easier."

CORRECTIONS

The referendum on the proposed agreement between the Metis settlements and the Alberta government will be held **June 20, 1989**, not June 10, as stated in April 28 and May 5 advertisements.

In the article Moosehorn Lodge Seeks Alumni, April 21, 1989, a source identified as Ralph Ghostkeeper should have read *Tom Ghostkeeper*.

In the article Chief Wants Oil Activity Stopped, March 31, 1989, the residents of the Janvier band were incorrectly identified as Cree, they are *Chipewyan* people.

In the article Shy Single Mother Blossoms in Sobriety, May 5, 1989, Cecilia Adam was incorrectly identified as Cree, she is *Chipewyan*.

Tumbleweeds

By Tom K. Ryan



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Environmentalists to bring concerns to Edmonton

By Jeff Morrow
Windspeaker Staff Writer

EDMONTON

Environmental lobby groups are insisting conservation concerns are not confined to northern Alberta.

They will be in Edmonton next week to explain why.

A public forum will be held May 18 to help city residents understand what they might face as Alberta forests become industrialized.

Mike Quinn, spokesman for the Friends of the North, said a panel of experts will answer questions and share their expertise regarding development of kraft pulp mills in the areas.

Quinn believes Edmontonians haven't been given an opportunity to get involved in the Environmental impact assessment process. He said they have as much right as anyone to know what could effect the future of the

province.

"We're talking about provincial resources. It shouldn't just be decided on by small areas. The arguments have to be brought to the city so people will understand and have some input," Quinn said.

He said the panel will be comprised of people involved in the fields of forestry, land and water quality. He said a representative from the Alberta labor union will be present to address the employment impact of developments in the area.

He said government representatives, including Environment Minister Ralph Klein, have been invited to attend but have yet to respond. Quinn is still hopeful the meeting will be a success.

A similar meeting held in Calgary two weeks ago had turnout of over 100 concerned residents. Quinn said it will be important to attract

more people to the forum in Edmonton.

"We're hoping that it will send a clear sign to the government that we're not satisfied with the process they've been following," he said.

Walter Janvier, director of the Treaty Indian Environment Secretariat, said it is essential for the people of Edmonton to become informed.

Otherwise, the negative effects of industrial development could hit them faster than they realize, he warned.

"They just don't know how serious it could be. It could effect their food chain. They could end up eating toxic fish and drinking toxic water. They need to be informed," he said.

The Treaty Indian Environment Secretariat was recently formed to work with other environment lobby groups around the province.

Janvier said a co-operative effort is needed to help

protect First Nations' resources.

"We need to protect them from the onslaught of industrial expansion," Janvier said.

Brian Staszewski, director of the Environment Resource Centre in Edmonton, said the negative implications reach beyond Alberta borders, which make it imperative everyone in the province get involved.

"Are we selling off our forest supply too fast? Maybe that's what we have to stop and ask. It's an issue for all Canadians. It's a global forest supply issue," he said.

The Friends of Athabasca, another prominent environmental lobby group from northern Alberta, will also be represented at the meeting in Edmonton.

The meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m. at the Knox-Metropolitan United Church, located at 8307-109 St.

UofA grads honored

By Everett Lambert
Syndicated Native News

EDMONTON

"Welcome to the five per cent club. You are the people we never hear about," Canada's only Treaty Indian MP told a University of Alberta Native graduation banquet last Friday.

Wetaskiwin MP Willie Littlechild said Canada's mainstream pays more attention to the bad side of Native life.

Pearl Calahasen, MLA for Lesser Slave Lake, was also on hand to wish graduates well.

Calahasen, like Littlechild, is a U of A graduate who has made a successful career in politics.

She told the students an anecdote about an old Native man who was found wearing only one shoe.

When asked if he had lost one, he replied: "No, I found one."

This year, more Native students graduated than ever before, an indication of the higher rate of post-secondary education for Native people.

The 1989 graduating

class, at 23 students, is more than double the size of the previous year's. Only 11 students graduated last year.

The banquet was organized by the members of the Aboriginal Student Council under the theme "honoring our pathmakers."

The occasion was one of the Native community's prouder moments, with many public figures in attendance.

A new award was established by the student council this year to honor former student Albert Crier.

In an emotional speech, Crier accepted the award for his faithful and devoted work to Alberta's Native movement.

Former council member and U of A student John Korteum said that Crier could always be found "in the trenches" when work had to be done to further the Native cause.

"Politics is a process of communication. And the important thing is that we're here and we're communicating," Crier said.

He said that most Native leaders are striving for the same goals for their people.

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Metis Settlement News

Alberta-Settlements Accord to protect Metis land base

This is the second in a series of articles on the Alberta-Settlements Accord — the proposed agreement between the Metis settlements and the province on settlement land, government, and finance. The accord is subject to a referendum of the settlement people on June 20. This article deals with the recognition and protection of settlement land.

The cornerstone of the Alberta-Settlements Accord is the recognition and protection of Metis settlement land rights. The province recognizes Metis ownership of the land in the Metis Settlements Land Act and moves to protect the land in the Canadian Constitution by amending the Alberta Act.

There have been two major problems with the

legal status of settlement land. Both problems are a result of the Metis Betterment Act of 1938 — the act that allowed the minister to set aside land (settlements) for Metis people. The first problem is that under this act, the settlements are considered to be Crown land — that is, land owned by the province and set aside for use and occupation by Metis people. This has caused enormous problems for settlement people in terms of dealing with government, with banks, etc. For example, settlement people have generally not been able to access government assistance programs in areas such as agriculture and economic development.

The second and much more significant problem is that it is the government's view that under the current act, they have the authority to take

settlement land away when it is no longer "suitable." Since the act was passed in 1938, the province has closed down settlements four times — the last time was Wolf Lake Settlement in 1960. Although it might be politically more difficult to do today what it did then, the legislation has not changed. Consequently, the land is no better protected legally than it was in 1960. It has been the overriding goal of the settlements over the past few decades to achieve protection for the land base — to ensure that the settlement land will be there for future generations.

The Alberta-Settlements Accord resolves these issues with two pieces of legislation. First, with the Metis Settlements Land Act (Bill 65), the province recognizes settlement ownership rights to the land. This is done by a transfer of the fee simple title to the "Metis Settlements General Council." The general council is an organization made up of the 40 councillors of the eight settlements. It holds the land on behalf of all the settlement members. The land transfer includes roads and road allowances, and the beds and shores of the lakes and rivers — this affords a higher degree of security than is available even for Indian reserves.

The land transfer does not include the mines and minerals — in other words, the province retains title to the subsurface. As far as managing the development of the oil and gas resources is concerned, however, this will be done jointly by the province and the settlements. So the province has ownership of the subsurface, but there is joint management of it.

The most important part of the accord is the Amendment to the Alberta Act. This is the means by which the settlement land is secured in the Canadian Constitution. The Alberta-Settlements Accord includes a Resolution to Amend the Alberta Act. This recognizes and gives constitutional protection to the Metis Settlements Land Act and therefore the Metis ownership of settlement land. With the Alberta Act Amendment, the land will have the protection of the highest form of law recognized by Canada.



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Members to vote on settlement referendum

The Metis settlements will be holding a referendum (June 20, 1989) on the recently negotiated agreement with the Province of Alberta. Voting will take place on all eight settlements and advance polls will be held on Saturday, June 3, 1989 and Saturday, June 10, 1989.

All settlement members over the age of 18, including those not currently residing on the settlements, will be eligible to vote on the referendum. A simple majority (50 per cent plus one) will determine the outcome of the vote. In the referendum members of the settlements will be asked to vote on the following question:

"As a settlement member, do you approve of the land, legislation and finance agreement offered by the Province of Alberta in exchange for dropping the Natural Resources Litigation?"

Over the next few months there will be numerous community meetings on each settlement allowing all members an opportunity to review the agreement.

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CLOSE TO HOME

Pulp mill firm releases impact study

By Jeff Morrow
Windspeaker Staff Writer

EDMONTON

Alberta-Pacific Forest Industries Ltd has released its long-awaited environment impact assessment study Thursday about the proposed pulp mill in Athabasca.

Company officials claim the report sufficiently addresses public concerns about environmental effects, but admit they are prepared for further consultation and review.

Alberta-Pacific, developers of the proposed \$1.3-billion pulp mill in northern Alberta, has come under intense public scrutiny since announcing the project last year.

The company's Edmonton-based management team began preparing the environment impact assessment (EIA) study in February 1988 in hopes of relieving some of the tension.

"It's all been a lack of understanding," said industry supervisor Milton Howe.

The results of public meetings and workshops on the pulp mill are included in the EIA report which will be made available at government buildings, libraries and the 11 liaison offices Alberta-Pacific has set up around the province.

Howe says the company hopes most of the environment questions have been adequately addressed. He said there is still a big sales job to do to convince the public the mill will be environmentally sound.

The EIA, he said, should give sceptics the proper perspective.

Environment concerns as the primary stumbling block for the company, which will be using the controversial bleach kraft pulp and paper process.

Conservation-conscious residents and Native leaders of northern Alberta mounted a protest after they learned of Alberta-Pacific's plans.

Howe says Alberta-Pacific was able to bring in scientists and experts in the fields of water and air pollution to review the process and provide input.

He says people in the impact area were given the opportunity to come and meet with them to discuss their concerns.

"It really helped people to understand a lot of the processes, and a lot of the effects, whether real or imagined," Howe said.

"They had people there that they could question and listen to their presentations. That helped a lot on the environmental side. . . But there still are concerns about the environment and some people are waiting to see the document (EIA)," he says.

Craig Lodge, Alberta-Pacific forestry supervisor, says residents have also leaped to the wrong conclusions about the effects on forest regions in the area.

He said members of environment groups have concerns about logging procedures of the company, but insists nothing will be extracted that the forests can't replace.



Alberta Pacific management team: Howe, Fenner and Lodge

"They have to put it into the right context. We're going to be involved in less than one per cent of the forest area per year. It's going to be harvested on a sustained yield concept. We won't extract more form the forest than the forest replenish so that we don't exceed the productive growing capacity of the forest lands. There won't be empty fields by the year 2000. There will be new forests," he says.

Future plant manager Gerry Fenner said Alberta-Pacific intends to become a part of the forest renewal process.

He says it would be ridiculous for Alberta-

Pacific to destroy the resource that is responsible for its success.

Company audits include long-range resource impact studies to determine how much wood is required to operate a pulp mill. Fenner said the study takes into account future forest growth.

"We, of all people, have to sustain the forests. We have to have it continually healthy and growing because we require the wood," he said.

Alberta-Pacific was created by Crestbrook Forest Industries Ltd. of Cranbrook, British Columbia to build and manage the Athabasca pulp mill.

Fenner said Crestbrook feels it has been successful in obtaining some of the best pulp and paper technology in the world and will be able to reduce the amounts of air emissions and river effluents caused by more conventional operations. He said there will still be small amounts of pollutants from the mill because there is no current technology available with "zero emissions."

As Alberta-Pacific continues to grow, Fenner says, it will be able to adopt new scientific techniques as they come.

"I think there's a lot of misunderstanding with chemical compounds. I

don't think the public fully understands our ability to detect minor constituents (chemical pollutants)," Fenner said.

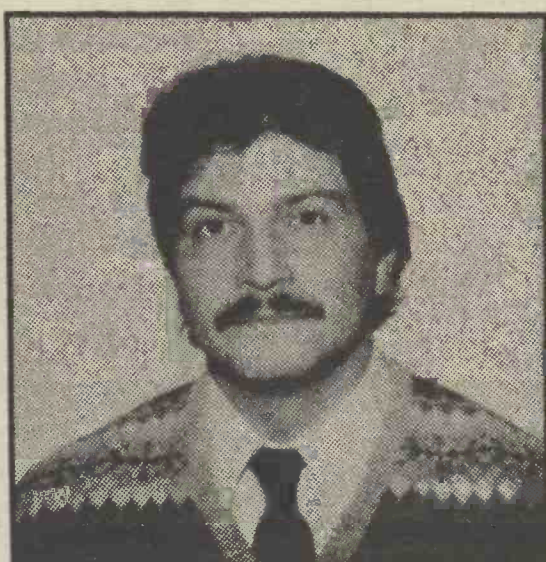
"We just haven't made those kinds of judgements yet. We need time to become familiar with these new capabilities and then begin to make a more reasonable assessment about where we should be (in terms of technology)."

Now that the study has been completed and made public, it must be evaluated by a government review board before Alberta-Pacific can be granted its nine required construction permits.

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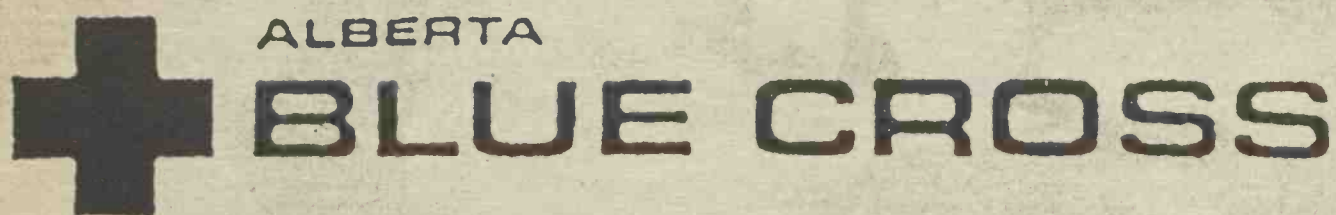
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SUSAN ENGE, Windspeaker



A mission to preserve and protect his people: James Bay chief Billy Diamond

Giant fighter

By Susan Enge
Windspeaker Staff Writer

"Chief: The Fearless Vision of Billy Diamond" is a book about a young Cree from Rupert River who had a dream and mission.

It's a story about Billy Diamond's fight to unite his people of the James Bay and protect their land from the clutches of government and big business.

It was the 1970's, a time when Quebec premier Robert Bourassa's own dream to build the largest hydro-electric dam in North America where three rivers flowed into the mouth of James Bay, was about to begin. The plans were already drawn up by the country's best engineers and trees were already being cleared.

But, the Cree living alongside the Rupert River were still living in a different world, a world without electricity, paved roads or corner supermarkets.

They were still hunters and gatherers, naive to the technology used by the white man.

Billy Diamond was pushed on to a government float plane at the age of eight, and ordered by his father to go to the missionary school to "learn the way and the language and tricks of the white man."

He would return with a grade twelve diploma, fully-fluent in English. Whether he was ready or not, he was elected chief of the Waskaganish Cree community.

It wouldn't take long before he would discover that the provincial government secretly planned to relocate the river Cree to make way for the \$12-billion dam.

Once Diamond heard the news over the radio one day, he knew the fight of his life had begun. It was 1971 and he was just 22 years of age.

Diamond would face the toughest negotiators in the country, Premier Bourassa and Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau, for the next four years.

There were moments of utter despair, panic and hopelessness.

But by 1975, the Cree and federal government would sign the James Bay and Northern Quebec Agreement. It would be the country's first comprehensive land-claim settlement and worth \$225 million, 61,000-square-miles of land and self-governing powers.

In addition, Bourassa's dream to build a dam at the mouth of the three rivers would be changed. The dam would be built on the La Grande River fifty miles away.

In a victorious gesture, while standing on the banks of the La Grande River, Diamond and his friend Kanatewat shouted

as loud as they could:

"We beat you — you bastard."

It is a story rich in personal anecdotes that shed light on how Billy Diamond fulfilled his mission and realized a dream he had many years before.

The James Bay Cree would forever have a homeland they could call their own. It would be a land which no premier or even the highest court of the country could ever take away or exploit.

Diamond and author Roy McGregor, flew into Edmonton May 4. I met them at a local television station as we were just about to appear on the station's meet-the-press show, "The Newsmakers."

He was not what I imagined him to look like. I expected a towering figure, confident and perhaps even intimidating.

"Great obstacles make great leaders. When the James Bay Project was announced, people said, 'Billy, you're crazy to fight it. You can't fight a province. You can't fight a federal government. You're going to fail.' I used to tell them, 'No failure is as bad as the failure to try.'"

But, I discovered a very charismatic, articulate and straight-forward man. He was short and a little plump with black, wavy hair that had silver streaks.

During a brief chat before the show, I asked him why he didn't write the book himself.

He looked at me straight-in-the-eye and said, "Well, no one would have believed me."

As the television show began, myself and two other journalists questioned him.

When I asked him if he would describe the leadership styles of the following leaders with one-word, he just nodded and waited.

Prime Minister Brian Mulroney was very "corporate", he said. He called Lubicon Chief Bernard Ominayak "very down-to-earth," while former Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau was "academic."

But, he paused when I asked, "And, Billy Diamond?" He leaned back in his chair and laughed, saying: "Very, very

powerful."

Looking into the future, he emphasized the need for the Indian people to use their gift of working with their hands.

"Native people have always been good with their hands," he said, holding his out and looking down at them. He said they must learn to nurture and develop this gift.

Reconciling business ambitions with the traditional lifestyles of the Indian is not impossible, Diamond said. If a person's spiritual faith is strong enough, and continually nourished, no amount of dealing in the business world could ever kill it.

If he could impart any advice for the young, he said it would be to emphasize the critical importance of post-secondary studies.

"Get your education, go as far as you can. Get your degree," said Diamond, whose own hopes of getting a university education were lost when the James Bay hydro-electric project became a larger priority.

In his book, he offers the young Native leader some words of advice: "You have to learn to stand alone as a leader. I stood alone. I went through tough times. But, you have to set aside all your personal wants and thoughts. You have to get yourself out of your mind, and you have to think only of your people."

Then, he laughs. "You know, if you're going to do something, if you're going to change anything around you, you had better have fun doing it. You better laugh. You better laugh because, if you don't you're going to be miserable and your project is going to be a failure."

"So you had better pick projects you enjoy. No one is ever going to say 'Thank you,' so you'd better find your pleasure some other way."

Amid the many mistakes, Diamond's projects were never failures, largely because he was too stubborn to give up and was never willing to accept failure. He announced in his book:

"Great obstacles make great leaders. When the James Bay Project was announced, people said, 'Billy, you're crazy to fight it. You can't fight a province. You can't fight a federal government. You're going to fail.' I used to tell them, 'No failure is as bad as the failure to try.'"

"That obstacle wasn't going to make me a loser. You must be willing to risk failure. Leadership requires that you have strong personal conviction, that you can convert people to your cause, that you can challenge people to do their best and that you know when to cut the cord and let them lead on their own."

Diamond has cut that cord, but his mission to preserve and protect the Cree of James Bay continues.

OUR PEOPLE

'Banjo' Collins, 93, recounts horsing days

By Bea Lawrence
Windspeaker Staff Writer

EDMONTON

Metis elder Frank Collins, 93, alias, "Banjo," was born in Great Falls Montana. He was still a young boy when he moved to the St. Paul area with his parents said his daughter, Josephine Steinhauer from her home in Millwoods.

Collins later settled and lived on the nearby Saddle Lake reserve with his wife Angelique (nee: Houle), where his love for horses flourished Steinhauer said.

"His life was horses," said the only surviving daughter of two. "That was their life. Everyone used to say, 'Collins had the best team.'"

The Metis elder's profession during his time was riding race horses. Indeed, one can readily see that by the old man's short stature.

The elder's voice trembles with excitement as he speaks in his Native Cree language.

"Horses are smart. One horse we had used to tell us his age by indicating the

number of years by digging his hoof in the ground." This particular horse understood both English and Cree, according to the elder.

"When you are a rider, you know the fast horses. You can see it by the shape of their legs," he continued.

In total, the old man rode about 400 race horses in his time. The races were usually held in conjunction with other special events.

Steinhauer has been looking after her father since he moved into the city one year ago.

"He was blind at the time," she said. "His blindness lasted about two years. He used to just sit there. He didn't even turn his head."

The elder was fitted with a pair of glasses in late February after a cataract operation restored his vision.

According to his daughter, the old man has to keep moving around the house for exercise.

"He doesn't sit in one place for too long," she said.

At this, the elder rises from his chair with the aid of his daughter's arm and his cane. He stands there momentarily before taking

his initial step.

The old jockey is not deterred by his crippled form as he slowly steps into the kitchen. Each stride for him is breathtakingly difficult, as he stops to rest after only a few short steps.

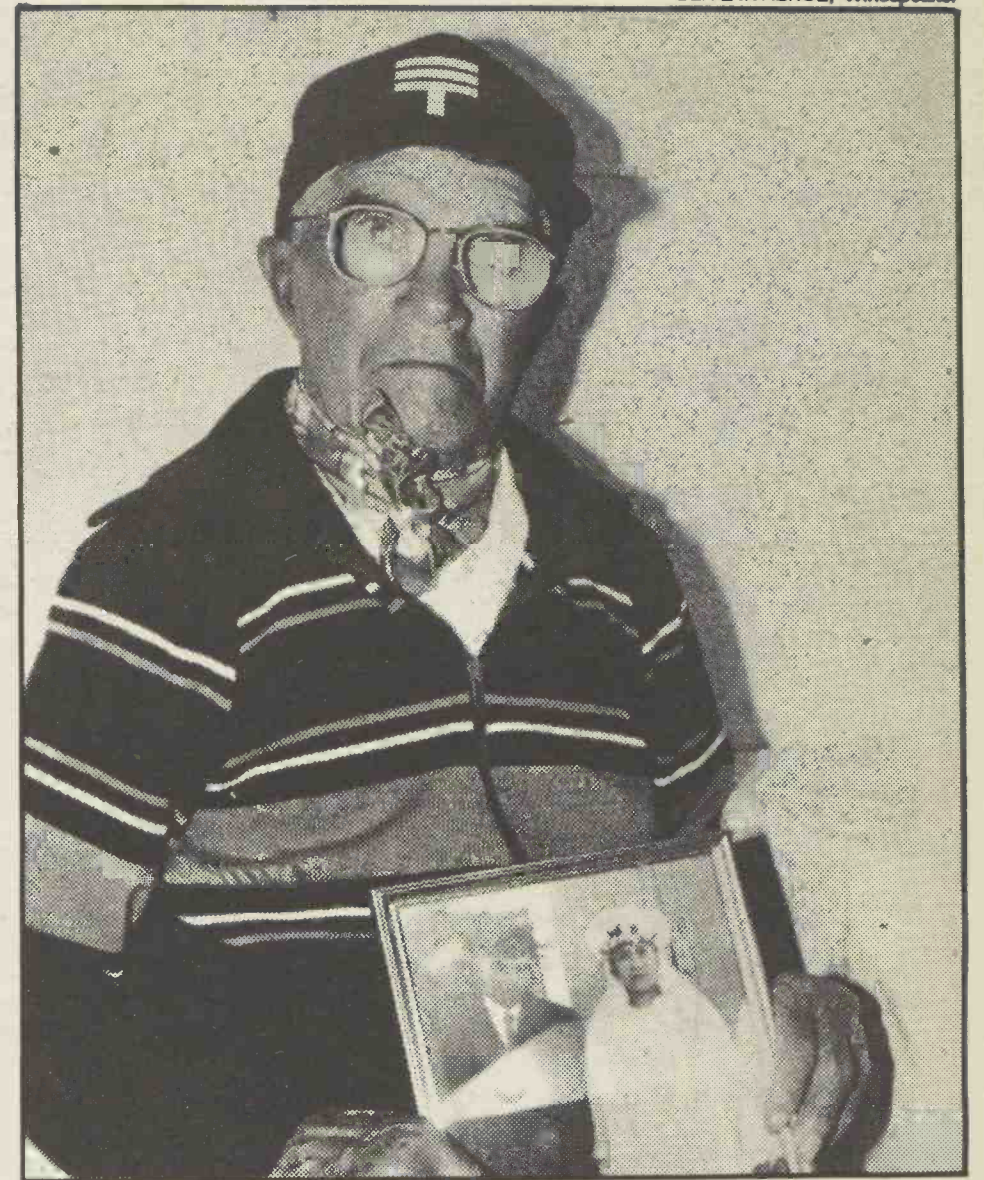
"One good thing," says the daughter, "is he follows the doctor's orders." For medical reasons, the elder will stay in Edmonton and live with his daughter.

Collins, who was one of four boys in the family,

never remarried. The couple had five children, two girls and three boys.

His only living younger brother Albert, who is in his late 70's, lives on the Elizabeth Settlement, about 180 km northeast of the city.

There is some discrepancy about the old jockey's correct age being 95 instead of 93, after he failed to locate his birth certificate. The latter age was given on his Alberta Health Care card.



Ex-jockey: Frank Collins, Metis elder

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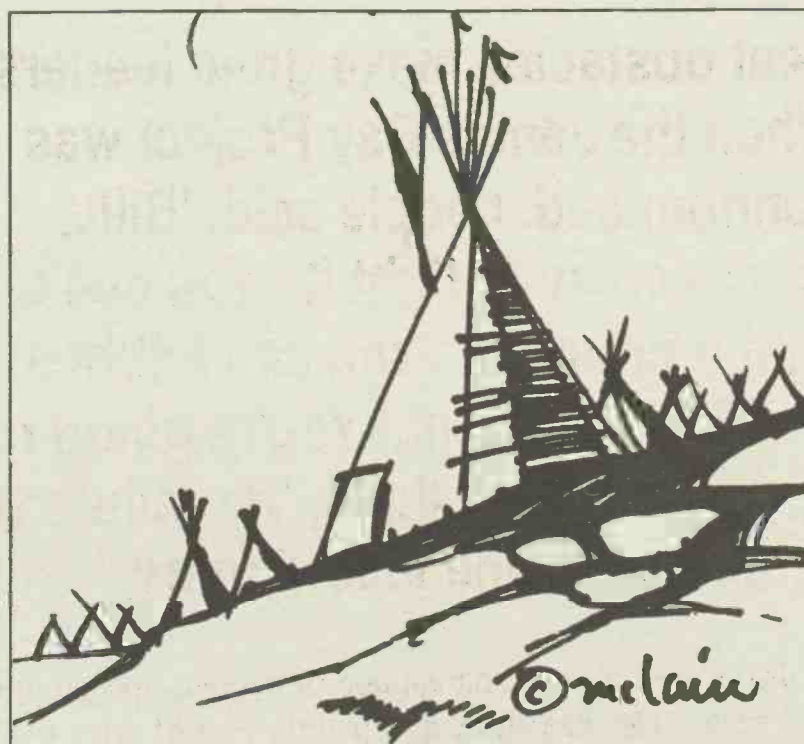
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CINDY ARCAND, Windspeaker

Australians tour jails

Inmates, Aboriginis share cultures

By Cindy Arcand
Windspeaker Correspondent

EDMONTON

Euraba, an Aboriginal group that plays for inmates, have had struggles in the past in their native Australia, but came to Canada to share some of their experiences.

"Euraba, which means 'to heal', started five years ago, with six band members, who are all Aboriginal" said Vic Simms, the manager of the band.

"We play for correctional institutions, juvenile homes and schools in Australia. We don't consider ourselves stars like AC DC or Bon Jovi. We are just ourselves a contemporary group who loves to play," he said

"As a group, we have a lot of love and respect for each other. There is no animosity among us. When

we fight, we just shake hands and laugh about it."

They received an invitation from Native Counselling, which had toured Australia.

They have been in Canada for one week and have performed in Peace River and Grand Cache. They will also be performing in the Bowden Institution, Lac La Biche, and Drumheller during their four-week visit.

The group comes from the Lurige tribe, a reserve in Australia, and came to Canada on a goodwill tour to show the Native people that life is not that different in Australia.

"The Natives here in Canada have the same struggles that we have in Australia. We also have the same beliefs, religion and lifestyle as the people here have," said Simms. "Your struggle is our struggle."

"Before the band started the guys were in the gutter "

he explained. "They decided that they were going to pick themselves up and start again.

The band members were treated for their drug and alcohol addictions and began a new life.

Besides playing in the band, they do a lot community work in Australia.

Vic, who teaches Aboriginal studies to high school students, also observed some differences between the two countries.

"For one, people have accents different from ours, and the people here drive on the wrong side of the road," Simms said

"But the thrill of this trip is meeting people here in Canada," said Simms.

"We enjoy meeting people and we will never forget the people that we have met here. We also hope that the people will never forget us."



Similar cultures: Australian visitor, left, and Grierson inmate

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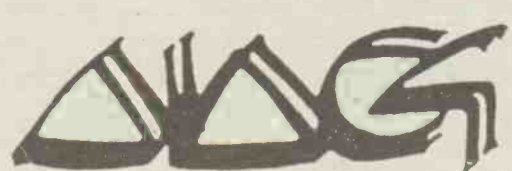
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Wednesday, June 7

Noon: Northern Games (25 min.)

3 p.m.: Cree Hunters of Mistassini (58 min.)

7 p.m.: Our Land our Truth (54 min.)

Dene Family (20 min.)

Our Nation Wealth

Wednesday, June 14

Noon: Bella Bella (27 min.); Rice Harvest (12 min.)

3 p.m.: North of 60 Degrees; Northerners Take Charge (28 min.); North of 60 Degrees; The Third New Economy (28 min.)

7 p.m.: The Other Side of the Ledger 1972 (42 min.); Fiddlers of James Bay (29 min.)

Skills Not Lost

Wednesday, June 21

Noon: Bill Ried (27 min.); Kevin Alex (16 min.)

3 p.m.: Cesars Bark Canoe (58 min.)

7 p.m.: Last Mooseskin Boat (28 min.); Nonoose Anishanake (10 min.)

Ways of Seeing, Ways of Understanding

Wednesday, June 28

Noon: Beauty of My People (29 min.); Christmas at Moose Factory (13 min.)

3 p.m.: Behind the Masks (37 min.); The Living Stone (30 min.)
7 p.m.: Legends of the Life of the Inuit (58 min.); Pictures Out of My Life (13 min.)

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Native films screened

As part of its 50th birthday celebrations, the National Film Board will be showing movies about Native people throughout the month of June.

Every Wednesday, free films in the Native series will be screened at noon, 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. at the NFB Theatre in Canada Place, located at 9700 Jasper Ave.

"The 50th anniversary Aboriginal film series will mark our emergence into the NFB's next half-century and hopefully, an era in which there will be a greater number of Aboriginal filmmakers and a greater number of films about the first people of this country," said Graydon McCrea, executive-producer of the North West Centre in Edmonton.

Among the gems to be screened is Christmas at Moose Factory, a charming film which uses children's drawings and poems to tell how Cree children from

northern Ontario celebrate Christmas.

A film about Bill Reid follows the British Columbia Metis artist from his initial work on a Haida Indian totem pole to the raising of the pole by vil-

lagers of the Queen Charlotte Islands.

And Our Land, Our Truth is an impassioned plea to preserve the way of the life of the Inuit of James Bay before the development of their lands for a hydro-

electric power plant.

Other well-known favorites will be shown this fall including Gil Cardinal's Foster Child and Daughters of this Country, a four-part drama series about the history of Metis women.



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SPORTS & LEISURE

Runners bound for 'Cisco

By Keith Matthew
Windspeaker Staff Writer

FORT CHIPEWYAN, Alta.

Fort Chipewyan's Osakochi'wew Running Club will leave May 17 for a trip-of-a-lifetime for many of the club's young Native athletes.

The all-Native club are bound for San Francisco Bay to Breakers 12-kilometre run slated for May 21.

The three-year-old club is not just about running. Coaches Fiona Savage and Arvid Nottveit also encourage development of the runner as a whole person by introducing them to various positive lifestyles.

Running acts as catalyst for other positive things and "that is what we treat it as," says Nottveit. "We have the running and training objectives but then we also have personal growth objectives stressing the attitudes of discipline, hard work and providing incentive for yourself."

The trip will also provide opportunities for the runners to broaden their view of the world.

"We have other objectives relating to the experiences the students will have as we are on the trip. For example, getting through a modern airport. That is a realistic objective," he pointed out.

The trip to San Francisco is not the club's first long-distance trip to attend competitions.

"Our first year we attended the Banff to Jasper road race and last year we went to



On the road again: Fort Chip's Osakochi'wew Running Club

Spokane, Washington — the largest timed race in the world," states Nottveit.

While the club is in San Francisco they will be visiting the zoo, Golden Gate Bridge, the University of Berkeley, Alcatraz and the Expos versus the San Francisco Giants, says Nottveit.

The club is in for a special treat when they visit Sacramento. "One of the highlights there is that we are going to meet with Billy Mills," says Nottveit. Mills won a gold medal in the 10,000 metres at the 1964 Olympic Games in Tokyo. The Sioux Indian is the last American to win the event.

The running club have been training for this trip

since January and have been practising very hard.

"We train four days a week," says Nottveit. "Practises usually go for two hours. A typical week, starting Sunday, we do a long run of anywhere from 12 to 13 kilometres.

"The next day we would do intervals (short distances) for at least 30 minutes to 45 minutes and then we would go for a shorter run.

"The next day we would do a shorter run anywhere from eight to 10 kilometres and then we would do another day of interval workouts.

"Then we would go on another long run — that would be our cycle," he

explains. "It's up around eight or nine hours a week."

The reason for the trip is to provide the runners with a goal for all of the hard training that they must endure.

"It is really easy to get the kids out and have fun and to be involved in some sort of sport on a volunteer basis but if you want to provide any type of competition or if you want to provide any type of challenge to the students then you have to provide them with a situation where they can be competitive."

Fort Chipewyan is an isolated community that does not have an all-weather road. During the summer, it is accessible by plane or

boat and in the winter, the muskeg is frozen enough to bring vehicles overland.

"We can't just go down the road to another school just 30 minutes away and have a road race with them," explained Nottveit. "That goes for any sport.

"So, we have to provide them with the big trip. It is for us to get the students to train really hard for five to six months. That is one of the reasons for the trip because we want to go somewhere where it will be exciting and fun for the students and a reward for them for tackling it. We also want to broaden their horizons. We want them to see more than just Fort McMurray

and Edmonton."

Nottveit is excited about the prospects of a couple of the runners and thinks they are developing some talent.

"The students have to learn that we are a team and we have to work together. We are not just a bunch of individuals seeing who can run the fastest," he says. "We want to work together and the bottom line is you have a whole lot more fun that way."

Making the trip will be team members Allison Campbell, Richard Tuccaro, Paul Tuccaro, Scotty Lacorde, Jason Ratfat, Irene Castor, Tamara Flett, Laurie Martin and Lois Ladouceur.

Vancouver Marathon

Strong finish for McKay

By Keith Matthew
Windspeaker Staff Writer

EDMONTON

One of Edmonton's Native sons is making his mark in running circles.

Darrell McKay, 19, competed in the Vancouver International Marathon May 7 in the junior men's under-19 category and came in second.

McKay said that he came in 161 out of about 1,400 runners.

"I was quite surprised and really, really happy. I was hoping to place well in the junior men's category," he said.

"I didn't think I would do that well overall."

He says that is the only marathon he will be running this year because he is still comparatively young for a long-distance runner.

"I am going back to track, road races and 10-kilometre road races," he says.

McKay usually runs the 3,000-metres in track and field.

He will be training for Alberta provincials and the Canada West Summer Games within the next couple of months.

McKay is one of the top junior male runners in Alberta.

"I ran a marathon here in Edmonton and I placed sixth and there was around 150 runners. I came in first in juniors, so I think I am one of the top marathoners at the junior level."

He credits the Edmonton running club, the Edmonton Columbians, for his success.

"I usually average 80-90 miles a week and in that training, I usually do long runs, interval runs and some track work," he explains.

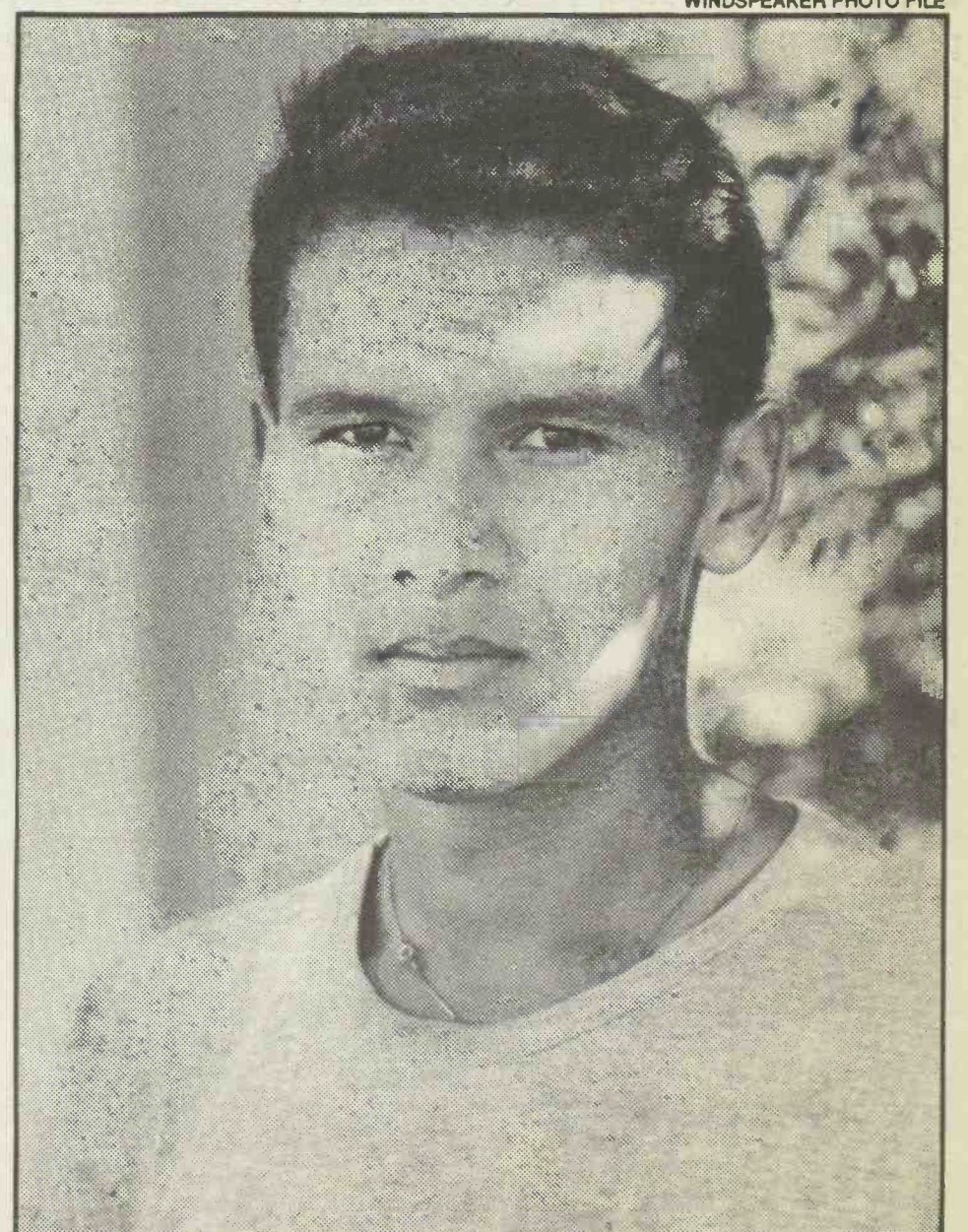
But in spite of his success, McKay says he must still pay for most of his own travelling expenses.

"I called up my own Dene Tha' band and I was

really disappointed that I couldn't get any sponsorship from them," he says. "Peace Hills Trust gave me \$50, but other than that, I was turned down by all of the other places."

The sponsors for a runner usually defray the costs if the runner is still an amateur and does not receive any sort of financial boost for winning or placing in his division.

Although at times it is tough on him, McKay says he is thankful to his coach and family for sticking by him even though his training regimen often leaves him tired and grouchy at times.



Second place: Darrell McKay, 19

SPORTS & LEISURE

Hey coach, are we having fun yet?

Ohhhhhh brother, what a headache coaching can be for a young, inexperienced dude like myself. When I said that I would coach Windspeaker's mighty slowpitch team I thought to myself, "Geez this could be fun."



SPORTS ROUNDUP
By Keith Matthew

Now, I'm seeing the other side of the coin. When I was a young player, I thought that I should play every inning of every game. Every kid thinks that way and that isn't wrong.

There has to be some give and take between players and coaches but you just don't think of those things when you are mad. It is common practice for young players to sit on the bench and be ready to play when asked. You have to earn your way on to a team.

Our slowpitch team is based on the premise that we were going to have fun this year and everyone would see some time on the pine.

Anyway, this "let's just have fun attitude" seemed like a good idea before we actually started playing in the league.

Someone has to be in charge to make the hard decisions. Sometimes that isn't fun, but it is necessary.

On to the sports around Indian Country:

Vancouver: I was on the phone last week talking to former IAA employee Lou Demerais and he mentioned something about the people of beautiful British Columbia being impressed with the Native golf scene over here in Wild Rose country.

Lou and a couple of other people from B.C. will be hosting an all-Native golf tournament at the Surrey Golf Course June 15-16. There will be divisions for men and women, also "if there are sufficient numbers of juniors then we will certainly create (a division for them)," says Demerais.

"We're trying to bring in a member of the B.C. Lions as well as the Vancouver Canucks," he says. "We were hoping to get (Matt) Dunegan but he is a pretty busy guy."

"What we want to do is start up an association and try to interest young Native people in the game of golf," says Demerais.

The tourney will be held at the Surrey Golf Course at 7700-168 Street June 15-16. The entry fee is \$75 per player. Entries can be sent to the Salmon People's Golf Association at 202 1755 E. Hastings, Vancouver, B.C., V5T 1T1.

For more information, contact Lou Demerais at (604) 684-0231 or Al Dixon at (604) 531-3194 or (604) 734-0434 or Cliff Atleo at (604) 255-3137.

Edmonton: John Fletcher invites all interested people to the Sarcee reserve in southern Alberta for a planning session for the North American Indigenous Games June 6-9.

He would like to see anyone interested in volunteering for the games to be held in Edmonton June 30 - July 8, 1990. He also extends invitations to all recreation directors on settlements and reserves across Alberta.

For more information or to register for this planning session, please phone 435-4424. Officials of the games are compiling a mailing list to identify participants in both the athletic and cultural events. They are also in need of volunteer officials to help run the games.

Those interested can send their name and address to the North American Indigenous Games, Box 8391, Station "F", Edmonton, Alberta, T6H 4W6.

Sarcee: Assistant Recreation Director Virgil Jacobs

says their annual awards night was very well attended with about 300 people from the reserve showing up to see the reserve's best athletes receive their honors.

Sarcee's senior (over 18) male athlete of the year is hockey and fastball player Lance Bigcrow. The senior

ladies athlete of the year is ringette player Renee Whitney.

The junior athletes of the year are hockey and softball player Brent Dodginghorse and swimmer Janil Megunis. Megunis was a swimmer with the Calgary Cascades.

Wetaskiwin MP Willie Littlechild was on hand as the master of ceremonies with special guests bullrider

Ted Nuce and bronc rider Clint Johnson.

On another note, Sarcee Recreation will be hosting a men's and ladies fastball tourney June 9-11. For more information, phone Jacobs at 281-4833.

Saskatoon: Saskatchewan Indian Federated College recently received word that they have been accepted into the Prairie Athletic Conference. They are now recruiting Native athletes for their programs.

An ecstatic Milton Tootoosis, athletic director of SIFC, says, "we will be competing against two-year colleges in Saskatchewan." They are now a member of the Canadian Colleges Athletics Association.

They are looking for "students with high school experience in volleyball, hockey and basketball."

"We are staying out of basketball until we can get a few more talented people but we are ready to compete in volleyball and hockey," he explains.

Until next week, as we say in Shuswap, "putucw", which means we will see you again soon (or something like that).

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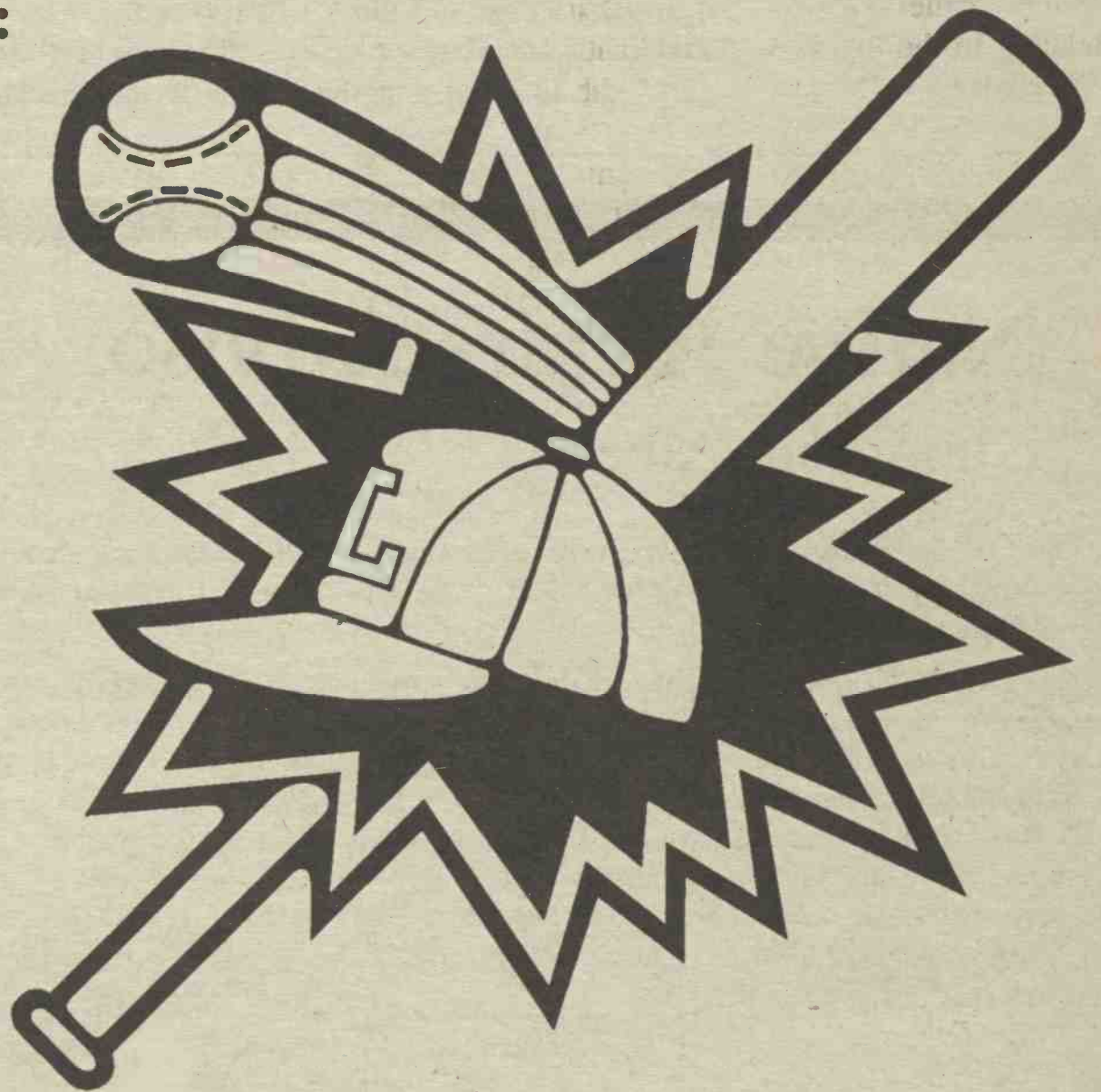
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What a racket!

By Keith Matthew
Windspeaker Staff Writer

ST. ALBERT, Alta.

Saddle Lake's Onchaminahos School badminton team left the provincial competitions in St. Albert empty-handed May 5-6, but team members say they are richer because of the experience.

The three-member team featured a girl's doubles team and a boy's singles player.

Jessie Redcrow and Jennifer Cardinal, the junior girls' doubles team, won one and lost two to finish out of the playoffs for the final round of the competition.

In opening round action, the Saddle Lake team met up with the South Zone 1 Calgary representative Western Canada high school and were beaten two straight 15-3 and 18-17. Western Canada were eventually crowned as provincial champs.

They then went on to play the North Central Zone representatives and ended up winning two straight by identical 18-17 scores.



Badminton champs: Saddle Lake teens

They were knocked out of further competition when they lost two straight to North West central zone 15-11 and 15-12.

"My girls were equal to Western Canada (school) who eventually ended up as provincial champs," said Coach Gary Jackson. The loss was very unfortunate for us but next year I am expecting better things, he said.

The other team member, Brad McGilvery, also played well but fell just short of qualifying for the final round.

"He played very well too," said Jackson. "He tied for second in the round robin and there was three of them tied for second place. With the tie-breaking procedures, he lost out and the

person who advanced, Bradley beat him earlier. Even though Bradley was better than him, Bradley never advanced."

Jackson is satisfied with his team's performance this past year and is looking forward to next year.

"I've taken some kids before but I haven't taken these students to the provincials before," he said.

"It is a lot of work to even get to the provincials. To have close matches against the best in the province, well that shows you they are equal to them too."

Jackson is proud the team held their own against students from all over Alberta, many coming from schools five times larger than Onchaminahos.

Alta. golfers finish high at B.C.

By Keith Matthew
Windspeaker Staff Writer

DUNCAN, B.C.

Only a handful of Alberta golfers made the long trip to Duncan, B.C. for the Fourth Annual Cowichan Native Men's and Open golf tournament May 6-7. But it was well worth the trip for a few golfers.

Alberta's Leona Lafond, Holly Johnson, Leo Sasakamoose and Ivy Raine all came away from the tournament with awards.

Lafond and Johnson came in first and second respectively in the women's low-gross category while Raine picked up the award for the low-net.

In men's play Sasakamoose finished second behind Saanich's Danny Henry who had the low-gross for the Native men.

The top two men in the low-gross picked up \$150 a piece and the top two women in the low-gross won \$100 a piece. In addition, \$450 was handed out to other winners in each of the categories.

Low-gross winners were determined by adding the scores for both days and low-net winners were determined by adding the scores of those people who were playing with a handicap score.

"It went well but I never got as many golfers as I expected—there were 42 altogether," said tournament

director Ernie Elliott.

"As far as the calibre there I think there was a pretty big gap within the first five or six golfers," said low-gross winner Lafond.

She says the course was in good shape but in comparison to the Alberta courses, it was short and required a different style of play.

"They only had one par five in the front and the back (of the course) but they had a lot of long par fours," she explains. "The course was great. It isn't really a long course in comparison to Redwood Meadows (on Sarcee reserve)."

"The greens played really, really slow. I think the different type of grass had something to do with it," she said.

"I think a lot of us from Alberta tended to agree. We made a lot more putts than we normally would have to," Lafond pointed out.

She says the course dictated the style of play.

By comparison, Wolf Creek, which is a tournament course just south of Hobbema and one she is accustomed to playing, is designed with long fairways and plays very much differently.

"Your approach shots to the greens are entirely different in comparison to the Cowichan course," she says.

She says the tournament was split up into two days with the men and women playing separately. There were also divisions for low

gross and low net winners in each category.

"First I shot a 101 and second day I shot a 99," she says.

She pointed out that Hobbema's Holly Johnson tied with her the first eighteen holes they finished.

But on the second day Johnson went flat, "She only trouble with, maybe, three holes on the front nine otherwise she was right in the game. She came back very strong on the back nine."

Ivy Raine of Hobbema won the low-net women's title to bring home the trophy.

Lafond explains, "A low-net is determined by your handicap. Every golf course has a course rating and to get a true handicap you need to play 18 holes 20 times. Preferably on the same course...say we go on this course and the course rating is a 71...you consistently shoot 90. You just take your score of 90 and you subtract the course rating."

"The difference is 19 and that is your handicap," she says. "This is what you would want to play up to. You are looking at mentally preparing yourself to shoot 90 or better."

However, Lafond was happy with her play and says, "the local people really went out of their way to welcome us and make us aware of what could be done around there off the course."

Native Affairs Advisor

Edmonton, Alberta

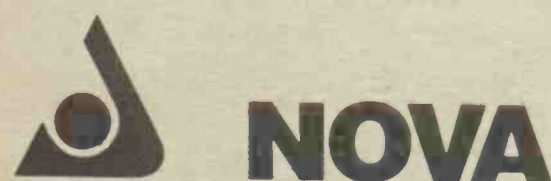
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Metis Settlement News

Protecting our Land

The proposed agreement between the Metis settlements and the province of Alberta

Settlement Land

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Land Ownership and Land Protection

- all existing Metis Settlement Land is protected in the Canadian Constitution (the highest form of legal protection possible under Canadian Law)

- the Province of Alberta recognizes our ownership of Settlement Lands (under Bill 65) and no longer considers our land to be crown land

- title to all settlement land is held collectively by the eight settlements (through General Council)

Resource Ownership and Management

- the Province of Alberta would own the subsurface resources (oil and gas) and the settlements would own the surface resources (ie. forest resources, sand and gravel)

- Oil and gas is developed in a way consistent with settlement priorities and settlement needs. This means that oil and gas company activities are controlled jointly by the settlements and the province.

- Associated with this proposed agreement, the settlements end their litigation with the Province of Alberta over the money from the sale of subsurface resources.

Settlement Government

The proposed agreement would establish a unique form of Metis self-government under **The Metis Settlements Act (Bill 64)**.

Settlement Council

- The councils are set up as the legal governing bodies on the settlements with the power to make bylaws in areas of local concern. All bylaws are subject to the approval of the settlement members.

- financial accountability rules for councils and their administrations are set

- democratic election procedures are established for councils.

General Council

- The general council is established. It is made up of the 40 councillors from the eight settlements and the four non-voting executive officers that they elect

- General council has the authority to make policies on matters that are of general concern to all eight settlements (ie. Surface Rights)

- General council policies must be supported by at least six of the eight settlement councils.

Settlement Financing

Under the proposed agreement, new financial arrangements are made to ensure the long-term financing and economic development of the settlements.

17-Year Funding

- Settlements receive sufficient funds from the province to build up and maintain their communities — for housing, recreation facilities, roads, natural gas, and other community development projects.

- Guaranteed annual payments alone amount to \$310 -million.

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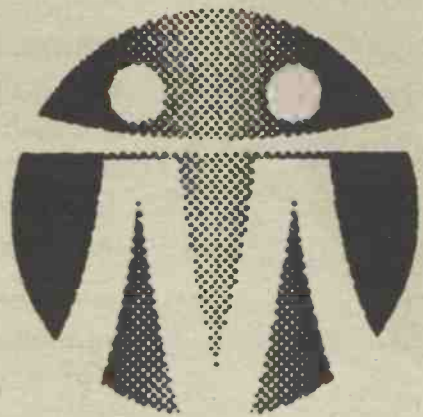
- Money from the province is set aside over the first seven years to build a future development fund. This fund will secure the financing of the settlements after Year 17.

- The settlements would continue to have their revenues from their current Trust Fund.

Agriculture and Other Programs

- Settlement members are guaranteed access to provincial government programs that they currently cannot access (e.g. agriculture development programs).

To allow all settlement members a vote on the proposed agreement a referendum will be held on June 20, 1989 with voting taking place on all eight settlements.



If you would like more information on the proposed agreement with the government of Alberta, please phone the Alberta Federation of Metis Settlement Associations, free of charge at:

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OPPORTUNITY

Native developer plans big

SUSAN ENGE, Windspeaker

By Susan Engge
Windspeaker Staff Writer

EDMONTON

Leo Jacobs is blending his skills as a developer and identity as an Aboriginal person into a brilliant unique approach to architectural building designs few Canadians have yet to view.

The blueprints in his office for an international, first-class tourist resort in Alberta reveal features that emphasize the dynamic history and lifestyle of the North American Indian.

The four-star international facility will host a "great hall" in which its four directions (north, south, east and west) will hold genuine Indian and Inuit artifacts. The hall's ceiling slopes into a shape of a giant teepee, a common theme used throughout the rest of the facility.

Because of his unique entrepreneurial approach

and vision, Jacobs was appointed to the National Tourism Industry Association of Canada in early April. It's a prestigious appointment and Jacobs is the committee's only Aboriginal board of director.

"I'm giving this two purposes. The first to promote my international destination resort (the committee) wants to see. The local, provincial, national and international tourist markets," said Jacobs, a 35-year-old Cree from Calling Lake and controlling share-owner of Blackstar Development Corporation.

"The world market is always exciting and always looking for Native products or services. I'm open to suggestions on how to move the Native community and get them to be more active in the tourism industry. I'll be the guy to talk to the Native people and give them information on how to become more aware of the opportunities - the marketing networks," he said.

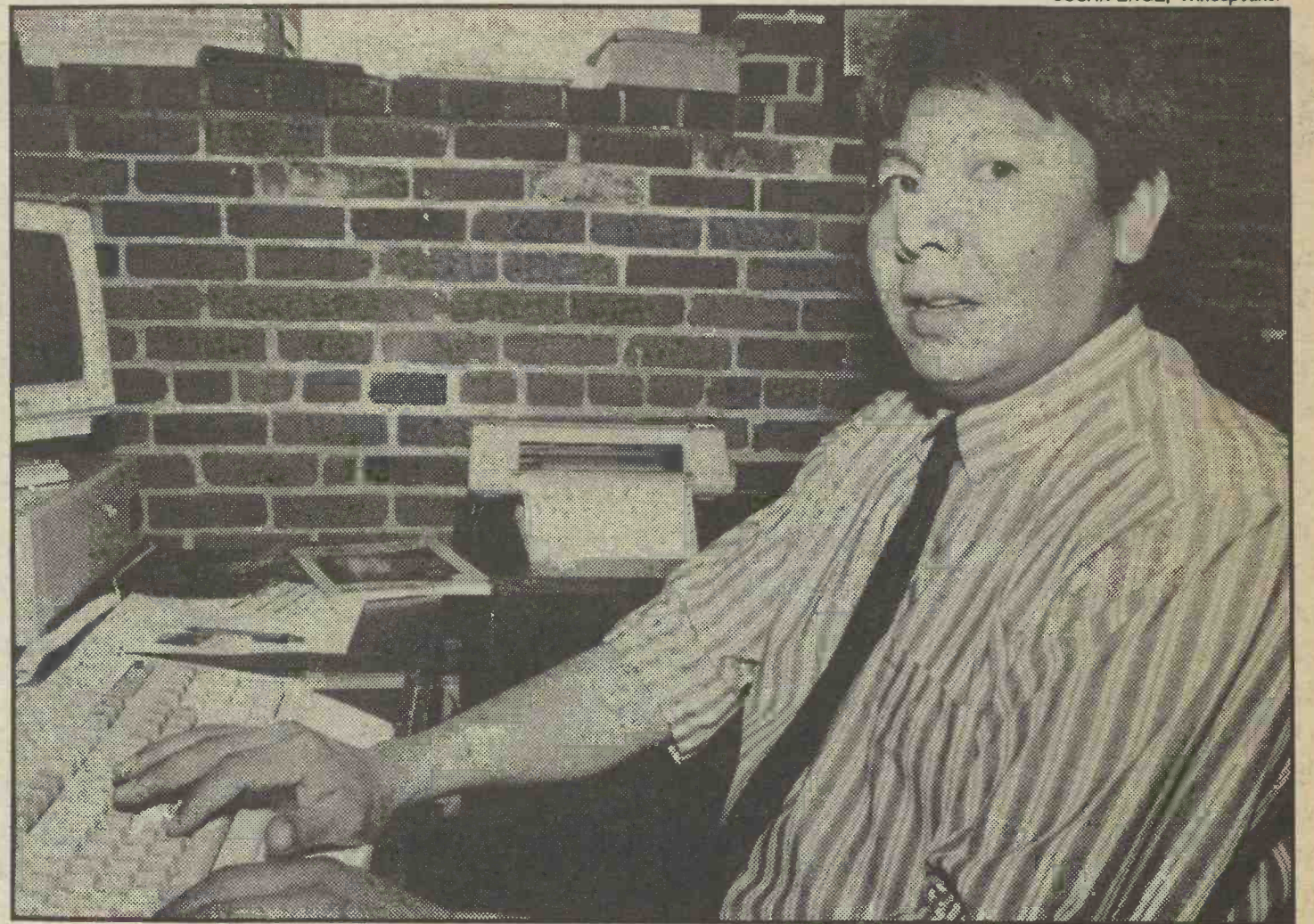
Whether or not Native communities are ready for an influx of tourists is questionable, says Jacobs.

"I don't think they're ready. But that's one of my goals with this appointment. To get the grassroots people to take a really hard look at what they have there in their own communities and turn it into an economic base that will create an improvement in their social lifestyles," he says.

Jacobs feels the cultural resources of each community holds tremendous wealth if the leaders or business entrepreneurs would only tap into them.

Part of Jacob's plan is to invite genuine, authentic Indian and Inuit singers, dancers, artists and crafts from across the country to perform or display their talents in his resort's "great hall."

"We've never taken a hard look at it being a revenue generating source that can make life better for



Tourism exploited: Leo Jacobs

ourselves," says Jacob.

Even if other Cree, Chipewyan, Inuit or Blackfoot entrepreneurs who hold strong traditional cultural views decide to incorporate their culture in the tourism industry, Jacobs says it's possible to maintain the respect of one's values.

"You can't go and make a Hollywood production of Indian culture. In a very

controlled manner and with the advice of elders you can do it. I pay tribute to that. That's the driving force behind this particular operation. I've always been respectful of my roots, my value and spirituality."

Jacobs will meet with the tourism industry board every month. They usually meet in different cities across the country.

Next month, he will

meet with other colleagues in Vancouver.

One thing is certain, the views Jacobs takes with him to the board room will reflect two idioms: his cultural identity and unique vision as a developer.

"There can be a relationship between business and culture without jeopardizing our spirituality and the essence of who we are. It can be done."



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

CERTIFIED ENGINEERING TECHNICIAN

The Lesser Slave Lake Indian Regional Council requires a CERTIFIED ENGINEERING TECHNICIAN, to work with Regional Council Band Members.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Successful completion of Grade 12 plus an approved course of study from a recognized post-secondary institute of engineering technology or equivalent; must be eligible for certification with Alberta Society of Engineering Technologist. A knowledge of housing would be an asset but not a requirement.

DUTIES:

Advise Indian Bands of operation and maintenance of all public work facilities.

SALARY:

Negotiable depending on qualifications and experience.

Send Resume to:

Jack Patterson
Executive Director
Lesser Slave Lake Indian Regional Council
Box 1740
High Prairie, Alberta
TOG 1E0

Deadline for Applications May 19, 1989 at 4:00 P.M.

Husky Oil



NATIVE AFFAIRS

Husky Oil is a large oil and gas company involved in virtually every aspect of petroleum activity from exploration and production to refining and marketing.

Husky's Native Affairs function has within its mandate Native Business Development and the employment of Native people. In support of these objectives, the company's Educational Awards Program assists Native people to achieve greater success in professional career opportunities.

These awards are for people of Native ancestry in B.C., Alberta and Saskatchewan who possess suitable academic qualifications, are in need of financial assistance, and who demonstrate an interest in preparing themselves for a career in the oil and gas industry. Individuals pursuing academic studies at the post-secondary level at a university, community college or technical institute are eligible to apply.

Applications for the 1989/90 academic year must be completed and returned by June 1, 1989. If you are interested in getting more information or wish to apply for an Educational Award, please contact us at the address below:

EDUCATIONAL AWARDS PROGRAM

Coordinator
Staffing & Native Affairs
Husky Oil
P.O. Box 6525, Station D
Calgary, Alberta
T2P 3G7

ACROSS OUR LAND

Council reports dismal economy

By Elaine O'Farrell
Windspeaker Staff Writer

TORONTO

Many of Canada's Natives are suffering from "economic apartheid", according to a report released last week by the Canadian Council of Native Business.

The study found many of the country's one million Native people continue to live at the fringes of the economy, enjoying little of the affluence that other Canadians take for granted.

About 70 per cent of the country's 200,000 Indians who live on reserves are permanently unemployed, costing Canadian taxpayers \$278 million a year in social assistance, the report says.

The cost of social assistance for reserve Indians has increased by 77 per cent since 1971, including a 29 per cent hike in the past two years. It is expected to reach \$365 million by 1993.

Off reserves, those who have jobs earn only two-thirds the wage that non-Natives take home, said council president Bob Stanbury.

"The social consequences of lifetime unemployment for 70 per cent of the Indian population on reserves is incalculable. The high rate of alcoholism, family violence, vandalism and suicide among Natives has been widely recorded and commented on," the study notes.

But despite the gloomy figures, Stanbury is opti-

mistic about the future and he believes an entrepreneurial spirit among Natives is ready "to take off."

The Department of Indian and Northern Affairs reports there are currently about 5,000 Native-owned businesses in Canada, employing about 31,000 workers with a payroll of \$328 million.

"The department figures indicate a considerable growth in Native industry and they only scratch the surface," said Stanbury, adding that few statistics are available on the subject.

About 500 new Native enterprises are started every year, with 200-300 going out of business, the department estimates.

But the private sector sets the figure for Native-owned businesses between 15,000 and 20,000.

The study found Native businesses are flourishing with such notable success stories as Air Creebec, Abenaki Computers and Peace Hills Trust.

At the same time, 86 per cent of Native youths are now completing high school and there are 15,000 currently enrolled in post-secondary institutions.

With some major companies projecting skilled labor shortages, "Canada's Native people represent an untapped human resource whose contributions can be of great value in achieving sustained economic growth in the 1990s," the report concludes.

However, the private sector will have to create

60,000 new jobs for these youngsters to maintain current employment levels.

"Failure to achieve at least a considerable portion of such job creation will create a new social phenomenon in Canada, that of the educated, unemployed Native."

"The potential for new forms of militancy to arise among Native advocates will be strong under such circumstances," it warns.

The study found growth of Native business is hampered by lack of business training, inadequate capital for new business start-ups and the lack of employment equity policies in many Canadian companies.

Stanbury said the report confirmed government alone cannot change the future for many Natives who are now "relegated to the status of a hidden Third World economic underclass."

Despite the need for economic training and assistance, the study says, little has been done by the federal government, which tends to focus on delivery of health and social services.

Stanbury, a former federal cabinet minister and retired chairman of Firestone Canada Inc., urged the private business sector to lend a hand to foster the growth of Native business.

The council plans to canvass about 1,000 Canadian corporations over the next three years in hopes of raising \$3 million to help expand its business education programs for Natives.



Sucker Creek Band 150A

Band Administrator

Under the direction of the Chief and Council the Administrator will be responsible for all phases of band operations. Duties are to administer and direct the implementation of programs and services for the band.

- financial administration
- employment and economic development
- social service and education programs
- supervision of staff
- writing proposals and grant applications
- liaison work
- devise methods of solving management problems

The qualified applicant must possess a B of A in Administration, computer knowledge and proven experience in local government. Excellent communication and public relation skills are a definite asset.

Please send resumes or enquiries to:

Chief Donald Calliou

Box 65

ENILDA, Alberta

T0G 0W0

(403) 523-4426

Closing Date: May 26, 1989 at 4 p.m.



Sucker Creek Band 150A

Economic Development Officer

Under the direction of the Chief and Council the Economic Development Officer will be responsible for all phases of the Economic Development Program:

- administer the contribution budget in accordance with the guidelines
- assist band council and or band economic development committee in planning, developing and implementing projects which have potential for profit and jobs
- assist band council in planning employment programs which support the purpose of economic development
- provide counselling and related services to individuals to develop entrepreneurial opportunities
- maintain active rollin fishing and trapping programs
- provide liaison and supporting roll in obtaining funds for working capital or purchase of capital assets in commercial, business and agricultural enterprises

Qualified applicant will possess a minimum of Grade 12, good proposal writing skills, knowledge in federal and provincial funding agencies and be self-motivated.

Salary: Negotiable

Closing Date: May 26, 1989 at 4 p.m.

Please send resume or enquiries to:

Chief Donald Calliou

Box 65

ENILDA, Alberta T0G 0W0

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Lac La Biche School Division No. 51
invites applications for the position of

PRINCIPAL

at the Wandering River School

Located on Highway 63 and 80 kilometers west and north of the Town of Lac La Biche, the school is situated in the Hamlet of Wandering River and currently serves the needs of seventy-seven (77) students at the E.C.S. to Grade 9 level.

Applicants must be in the possession of an Alberta Teaching Certificate and have successfully completed a minimum of three (3) years of teaching. Post graduate studies in Educational Administration and/or demonstrated skills in educational leadership will be a definite asset.

Please submit applications to the undersigned by May 24, 1989:

Mr. Peter Ponich

Lac La Biche School Division NO. 51

Box 870

Lac La Biche, Alberta T0A 2C0

1-623-4414

National Tourism Awareness Week . . . May 15-17

Sites educational

Travelling Alberta this summer can be an eye-opening, educational experience particularly when taking in tourist sites that celebrate native heritage and culture.

The following is a list of native tourist attractions that shouldn't be missed by vacationers who want a glimpse of the colorful past of Alberta's aboriginal peoples.

1. Stoney Indian Park. Located 64 km. west of Calgary on Highway 1A. Teepees, interpretive hiking trails, fishing and full camping facilities are available. A buffalo paddock is in the park. Ph. 881-3766.

2. Head Smashed-In Buffalo Jump Interpretive Centre. Located 16 km. west of Highway 2 on Spring Point Road (Secondary 785), this historic Buffalo Jump was used by native people to drive thousands of buffalo to their deaths, thus providing them with food, shelter and clothing. The buffalo jump is the largest and best preserved one in North America. The centre offers a cafeteria, film theatre and gift shop. Group bookings, guided tours. Advance bookings, ph. 553-2731 or 265-0048.

3. George Lane Memorial Park, High River. Home of the Medicine Tree, site of a traditional Indian Camp and present day symbol of High River. Campground, picnic areas and trails available.

4. Indian Battle Park, Lethbridge. Located in the

Oldman River Valley, the park was named after the last great Indian battle fought there in 1870 between the Blackfoot and the Cree. Picnic facilities, shelters and playgrounds.

5. Nakoda Lodge Conference Centre. Located 30 km. east of Canmore on Highway 1A, the lodge houses the Nakoda Institute, a Stoney Indian learning centre. Canoeing, fishing available. Handicraft store with free tour and slide show. Ph: 881-3949.

6. Writing-on-Stone Provincial Park. Located 43 km east of Milk River on Highway 501, this park received its name from the abundant native carvings and paintings which decorate the sandstone cliffs along the edge of the Milk River. Park tours, camp facilities available.

7. Homestead Antique Museum, Dinosaur Trail, Drumheller. This museum contains over 4,000 catalogued items including Indian relic. Ph. 823-2600

8. Orkney Hill Viewpoint, Drumheller. Located on South Dinosaur Trail at the top of Orkney Hill on site of former buffalo jump.

9. Dry Island Buffalo Jump Provincial Park. Located 19 km. east of Huxley off Highway 21. Established in 1970 to preserve the flat top mesa in the midst of badlands and an Indian Buffalo Jump. Day use only.

10. Treacy's Antiques and Objects of Art. Located 16 kilometres north of

Hussar on Highway 56. Specializing in Indian artifacts and local history. Museum and store. Ph. 787-2157.

11. Fort Ostell Museum, Centennial Park, Ponoka. Established in 1885 to protect local settlers during the Riel Rebellion. Exhibits and photographs of pioneer and Indian artifacts. Ph. 783-5224.

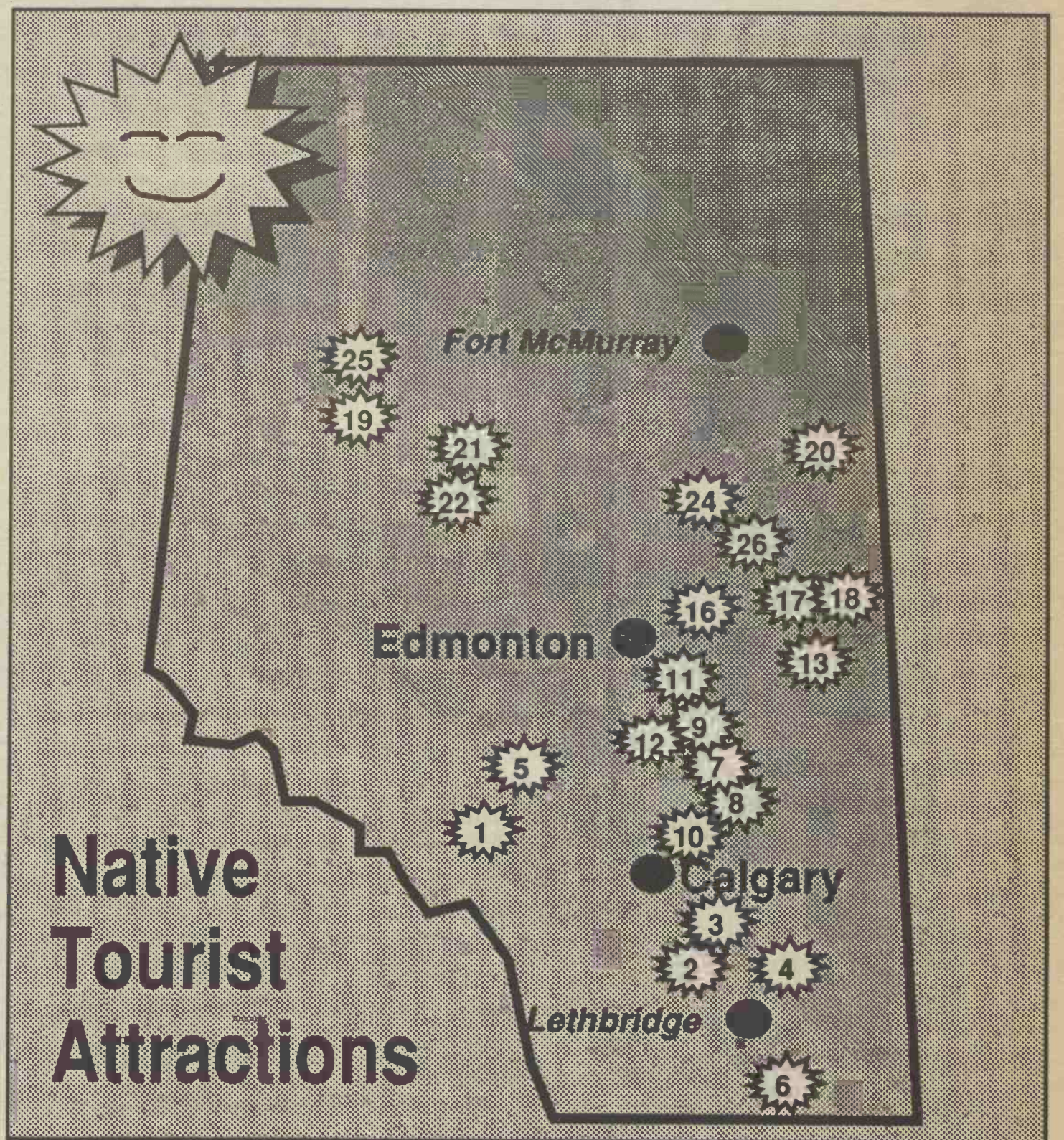
12. St. Mary's Catholic Church, Red Deer. Located on the corner of 39 St. and Marshall Avenue, it is noted for its unique architectural design by world renowned Douglas Cardinal, a native Albertan. Ph. 347-3114.

13. Ribstones, Viking. Located 10 km. east on Highway 14 and 3.5 km. south. Two quartzite rocks carved by Cree Indians are thought to be related to fertility rites for the buffalo.

14. Sarcee People's Museum, Calgary. 3700 Anderson Rd. S.W. A fascinating look at the past history of the Sarcee Indians. Artifacts from early tribal life, a model tipi, and interesting items of clothing. Ph.238-2677.

15. Strathcona Archaeological Centre, Edmonton. Located at the south end of the Strathcona Science Park, off 17 St., south of Highway 16. Features the archaeological and prehistory of the Parklands area of Alberta, including native artifacts. Guided tours available. Ph. 427-2022.

16. Kinoo Totem Poles, Cold Lake. Located



Summer stops: Colorful past showcased

at the end of Highway 28 overlooking the shores of Cold Lake. These two 22-foot cedar poles were carved by Chief Ovide Jacko of the Cold Lake Indian Reserve.

17. Dewberry Valley Museum, Dewberry. Located one block west of Highway 893, turn west at Catholic church. Excellent collection of Indian artifacts. Ph. 847-3745.

18. Frog Lake Massacre Historic Site. Located 3 km east of Frog Lake Store off Highway 897. Considered a central point

on the first trade route trail from Fort Carlton through Fort Pitt toward Edmonton. A monument, eight graves and a display commemorate the 1885 Indian uprising where nine people died.

19. The Girouxville Museum, Girouxville. Commemorates Indian life, missionary work and settlement. Ph. 323-4252.

20. Little Rock Museum, Grand Centre. Located 11 km. east and south of Beaver Crossing. (Follow signs off Highway 28). Features native, Metis and pioneer artifacts dating back to the 1800s. Ph. 594-2105.

21. Native Cultural Arts Museum, Grouard. Located in the Alberta Vocational Centre. Contains native artifacts, primarily Cree and items from other Indian cultures. Ph. 751-3915.

22. High Prairie and District Museum. Located at 53rd Ave. and 49th St. in the Centennial Building.

Displays depict pioneer and Indian life. Ph. 523-2601.

23. Tree Grave, Indian Cabins. Located 452 km. north of Grimshaw on the Old Mackenzie Highway about 200 m from Indian cabin store. About 60 years old, the tree grave was a native custom of burying the dead in a hollowed log and placing it in a tree.

24. Alberta Vocational Centre, Lac La Biche. Located on the south edge of town on Highway 36. Holds a sizable display of native craft and historical items. Tours available. Ph. 623-5591.

25. Peace River Centennial Museum. Interpretive displays on native culture. Ph. 624-4261.

26. Saddle Lake Cultural Museum. Located off Highway 652 in Manitou Kihew Centre. Named after one of the original chiefs of Saddle Lake. Contains local native artifacts. Ph. 726-3829.

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NADC Public Forum

Falher
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College Notre Dame

The Northern Alberta Development Council holds regular public meetings throughout Northern Alberta, giving everyone the opportunity to present briefs on matters of concern and general information.

The Council consists of ten members and is chaired by an appointed MLA.

Groups or individuals interested in making submissions at this meeting may contact the Northern Development Branch in Peace River at 624-6274 for assistance.



Alberta
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Teachers

Teachers required for the Joint Superintendency operating Catholic Schools in Falher, McLennan and Valleyview, Alberta (North of Edmonton in the Peace River/Smoky River Region)

Bilingual (French & English) ECS Elementary Generalist positions with FSL: Jr. High English Language Arts & Social Studies; Jr. High Math & Sciences; Jr. & Sr. High IA with some Math; Special Education/Resource Room French Immersion; Cree Language Instructor.

Applicants accompanied by curriculum vitae and three references, one of which should be from a Catholic priest, are to be forwarded by May 22, 1989 to: Mr. Jim Sheasgreen, Superintendent of Schools, Box 480, Falher, Alberta T0H 1M0 (403) 1-837-2545.

Advertising Feature

Economic and social impact key to tourism week

Monday, May 15, 1989...Which Canadian industry has a bigger international market than lumber, newsprint, crude petroleum and outperforms wheat and natural gas combined? Which sector has an employment growth rate which surpasses the major industrial sectors for the past 10 years? Which sector pumps \$21 million annually into the Canadian economy, while at the same time encourages environmentally sound development and the preservation of our heritage and culture?

If you guessed tourism, you're right!

Leo Jacobs, president C.E.O for the Blackstar Development Corporation, is proud to join the thousands of Canadians across Canada to celebrate National Tourism Awareness Week, May 15-21, 1989 and recognize the many social, economic and

cultural contributions tourism makes to our country. Tourism's performance as an industrial sector is outstanding. In 1987, foreign revenue from tourism amounted to \$6.3 billion. Only auto parts and motor vehicles did better in international sales.

"Nationally, tourism employs almost 600,000 people directly, and helps pay the salaries of another 500,000. There are over 60,000 tourism businesses in Canada, the majority small and mid-sized," Jacobs explained. "Here in Alberta, tourism employs 100,000 people in 5,000 businesses. Last year, we estimate that \$2.3 billion was brought into our area as a direct result of tourism."

"Tourism supports social and cultural activities. Firstly, our out-of-town visitors are part of many of our events, such as powwows. Secondly, tourism

revenue generates \$9 billion nationally in taxes every year. Much of that tax money stays right here, paying for our parks, libraries and recreational centres. Our residents would have to pay higher taxes for these very same benefits without the support of tourism dollars," Jacobs concluded.

National Tourism Awareness Week, now in its third year, will feature a variety of programs and special events held across Canada. NTAW is organized by a 25-member council, made up of National Associations as well as private sector and government representatives from all provinces and territories. Individual programs and special events are designed and co-ordinated by local and provincial bodies and by tourism businesses.

Blackstar Resort Development

Blackstar will be an "INTERNATIONAL DESTINATION RESORT" which will offer superior facilities, amenities and guest services. The development will include a four/five star lodge of 132 rooms, convention and meeting facilities which will accommodate up to 1,000 individuals, a theatre/nightclub, restaurants, lounges and a variety of specialized personal and recreation services.

THEME

The resort complex will combine a respect for the past with the conveniences and comforts of modern amenities. The central theme of the complex will reflect the Native cultures and heritage indigenous to the Athabasca region as well as across North America. This theme will be carried throughout the development, including the design of the structures, decor of the rooms, and the activities and entertainment which will be offered. Central to the structure and theme of the development will be the "GREAT HALL," which will offer a unique experience in Native architecture and lifestyles through historical accurate and genuine Native artifacts.

LOCATION

Blackstar will be located along the north shore of the Athabasca River, with a picturesque view of the river and its natural surroundings. This location, within the Town of Athabasca, offers both convenience (in terms of access) and the isolation required to capture the true wilderness experience.

RECREATIONAL AMENITIES

Blackstar will offer a wide variety of recreational facilities and activities, across all seasons. These include: a championship 18-hole golf course; jetboat marina and a variety of jetboat tours on the Athabasca River; an in-door swimming pool; tennis courts; recreation centre (health spa, fitness centre, racquetball/squash courts); horseback trail rides; snowmobiling and trails; cross-country skiing; and nature trails and hiking.

MARKETS

Blackstar will have both national and international appeal as a destination for tourists and conventioners alike. Building upon Alberta's growing inventory of attractions Blackstar will offer a unique experience to a wide cross-section of visitors from across North America and overseas.

Blackstar Developments

President's Message

In business, recent management trends have focused on change. From initiating change to managing its effects and seizing its opportunities, businesses of all sizes are continually challenged by change.

The project being developed by the Corporation is certainly no exception. Given the scope of the project and the diverse components which make up the total project, we must strive to maintain a management style which will utilize the talents of all our employees. This precludes any artificial boundaries created between management and employees, or between the various departments.

We are, therefore, implementing a new form of organizational structure; the "Dynamic Network Organization." Central to the definition will be a network of single Native entrepreneurs, group and Native business people uniting to a common cause, the advancement of Blackstar Development Corporation. While a departmental structure will be created to facilitate proper financial and operational control, to be truly "dynamic," we must remove these barriers when involved in planning the future. In today's environment of high complexity and rapid change, trust between the contributing parties will be a major issue. Participants must know that recognition will be given to the creators of innovative ideas. Properly constructed, the dynamic network organization will display the technical expertise of the functional form, the market focus of the divisional form, and the efficient use of resources characteristic of a matrix. And, especially important, it will be able to quickly re-shape itself whenever necessary.

We believe that the key to managing change is to anticipate it, meet it head on, and use its energy to generate new ideas. Our company will be in a constant state of evolution responding to the challenges of a global economy, but never losing sight of the community from which we first grew and prospered.

Blackstar Development Corporation is dedicated to being the leader in resort and convention management into the next century. I invite all Indian, Metis and Inuit people in our quest to preserve and inform people of all cultures of our heritage and Canadian Native culture.

Leo E. Jacobs
President, Chief Executive Officer
Blackstar Development Corporation

I'm proud of my people and we as a culture have a lot to offer.



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QUALIFICATIONS:

- financial background and managerial skills essential;
- experience in public relations;
- familiarity with Native/Non-Native organizations;

Salary: Negotiable

Urban Referral Worker

Energetic self-motivated individual.

DUTIES: provide direction and referral service to clients in areas of education, employment and social service. Research on all relevant material.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- familiar with local community organizations an asset;
- human relations skills;
- experience in programming;

Salary: Negotiable

Send resumes with references, educational background and experience to:

Personnel Committee
Napi Friendship Centre
Box 657
PINCHER CREEK, Alberta
T0K 1W0

Application deadline for both positions: May 19, 1989

The Alberta Indian Health Care Commission requires a

SECRETARY/ASSISTANT

to the Urban Health Worker based in Calgary.

Duties include reception, typing, filing, maintaining statistics, assisting with client intakes and referrals and acting as Urban Health Worker in her absence.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- 1) Minimum of one year secretarial experience.
- 2) Typing speed of 55 wpm.
- 3) Ability to work without supervision.
- 4) Knowledge of health care programs for Treaty Indians.
- 5) Good organizational skills.
- 6) Good communication skills.

DESIRABLE:

- 1) Fluency in an Indian language.
- 2) Direct experience in a health care delivery field.

SALARY: \$18,000 - \$20,000 per annum depending on qualifications and experience.

STARTING DATE: May 29, 1989



Send resumes to:
Alberta Indian Health Care Commission
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