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— Floyd Hand,
Sioux medicine
man
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Northern reforms need special consideration

OTTAWA

The federal social services review should not be considered a means to off-load responsibilities for Aboriginal people to Canada's lower governments, said Rosemarie Kuptana, president of the Inuit Tapirisat of Canada.

Changes to the system of transfer payments are being suggested in the Human Resources Department's discussion paper on social services reform. Transfer payments are money from the federal government to the provinces or territorial governments that help fund programs such as welfare and social services.

Kuptana said these transfer payments have to recognize the "special relationship" and the "fiduciary responsibility" of the Government of Canada toward Inuit, especially in the areas of education, health care and housing. To ensure Canada lives up to these responsibilities, it's important Inuit have input into the reforms, she said.

Reforms will have to take into account the distinct lifestyle of Canada's northern people, particularly in the area of job creation, said Kuptana.

"Inuit are a northern people depending upon hunting, trapping, fishing and other renewable and non-renewable resource activities for employment, food and our identity as a people. As such, job creation is dependent upon these areas, employment within government, with land settlement organizations and a service sector that provides the support necessary to the three sectors."

Kuptana criticized the federal government for not protecting the traditional Inuit economy of harvesting wildlife. Canada's lack of willingness to take the United States to task over the economic and trade restriction imposed by the Marine Mammal Protection Act has added to the social cost in terms of a high suicide rate, family violence and alcoholism in the Inuit community. The erosion of a meaningful economic system based on renewable resources has also resulted.

She said job creation in the north would be limited, so some form of income supplement would have to be considered for hunters, trappers, and those in the Inuit fishery.

"The Arctic is a difficult place to create southern-type jobs."



Bert Crowfoot

Puppy love

Get it while you can! The last of the fall weather, that is, not the canine affection being bestowed on Ameron Baer — that knows no bounds. The four-year-old and pup Sunny romp in a park amid the fallen leaves, cashing in on the precious few days of warm weather before the snow flies.

Leaders lobby for input into reforms

By Debora Lockyer
Windspeaker Staff Writer

HORTON, N.S.

Native women across Canada are being urged to seek out the Standing Committee on Human Resources Development as it travels the nation, to let their opinions on social security reform be known.

Janis Walker of the Native Women's Association of Canada said women will be among the most affected by the reforms so it's very important they make their voices heard. The reforms were proposed by Human Resources Minister Lloyd Axworthy in a discussion paper released Oct. 6, entitled Agenda: Jobs and Growth, Improving Social Security in Canada.

Walker has several concerns on how NWAC will gather a response about the paper from the

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— Ovide Mercredi

350,000 members she represents. She said the government has provided a woefully inadequate amount of money for her group to consult with its members. Coupled with a short three-month time frame in which to gather the information, it would be difficult to ensure everyone has input into the process, she said.

Assembly of First Nations Grand Chief Ovide Mercredi joins Walker in her concern.

In a letter to the chiefs and regional First Nations leaders, Mercredi said funding the AFN at \$50,000 for the purposes of presenting testimony to the standing committee was "totally reprehensible."

He informed the leaders the organization had asked that consultation funding be increased for genuine First Nations participation.

"First Nations must be given the real opportunity to improve our quality of life and to advance the recognition of our rights by becoming equal partners in the review and reform of the social security system," Mercredi wrote.

Mercredi slammed the government for not being serious about Aboriginal participation in the process. This causes grave concern because Native people have the most at stake in almost every area of reform under con-

sideration, he said.

Axworthy's team is prepared to discuss housing and criminal justice issues, but not the inherent right to self-government and jurisdiction issues, which could involve social security concerns, wrote Mercredi.

"Once again, the fundamental reforms we have been seeking to empower our First Nations governments through our treaties, the inherent right to self-government and asserting jurisdiction are in danger of being swept off the SSR table."

Mercredi has called upon the chiefs to support him in securing a federal commitment to a First Nations-Human Resource and Development bilateral process for reform, and in gaining the financial funding required to carry it out.

There will also be a discussion on reform at the AFN Special Chiefs and Confederacy of Nations meeting Nov. 8-10 in Ottawa.

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Officials unaware of activities of Aboriginal Fisheries officers

By Debora Lockyer
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VANCOUVER

Leaked internal government documents stated the Department of Fisheries and Oceans had "no idea" what Aboriginal Fisheries Officers had been doing for the three-month summer fishing season.

The document, released by Reform fisheries critic John Cummins, is a Sept. 4 conservation and protection report penned by a DFO fisheries officer. It said the AFOs or Guardians had been ineffective in the enforcement of the Aboriginal Fishery, had not provided communications regarding their activities, and had pursued an agenda which was incompatible with the department's.

The criticism led Cummins to again call for a judicial inquiry into the West Coast salmon fishery problems.

The document is one of the tools developed by fishery officers and staff to help the department manage the resource, said Paul Sprout, DFO Acting Director Op-

erations Branch, Pacific Region. It is one of three documents that have recently been leaked to Cummins.

"What you'll see in there is that we're not sure exactly what the Aboriginal fisheries program is doing. We haven't had the kind of communications with them that we think is appropriate. It simply indicates that we don't feel we know as much about the program, the activities they're carrying out, as we should," Sprout said.

Following that concern being raised, DFO conducted meetings with the leaders of the guardian program to clarify their tasks and the communications have improved, he said.

"It's an ongoing exercise and it's not over. We still need discussion and further meetings."

The Aboriginal Fisheries Guardian Patrol Program is designed to monitor the Native fishery, record the catch, and try to ensure compliance with the agreements that have been struck between the DFO and the individual Native groups, said Sprout.

The agreements allow for a certain amount of fish to be harvested and caught in a certain way. They allow for the sale of fish and

where those fish can be landed. The guardians are involved in monitoring the landing stations and patrolling the river for illegal activities, he said.

But the author of the report is critical of the way the guardians are fulfilling their enforcement obligations. Very few early morning and evening patrols are conducted by the guardians, accuses the DFO officer.

Violators are found by DFO staff when no problems are observed by guardians and their ability to pursue and prosecute violators within the fishery have not improved over time, the report reads.

The problem may lie in the differences between how DFO and the guardians view their enforcement duties, said Sprout.

"The Native Guardians largely see their activity as one of deterrence, i.e., their presence stops illegal activity. Our staff are concerned about identifying any individuals that are, in fact, fishing illegally. What is not clear is whether or not the Native guardian is seeing violations and not responding to them, though I have no evidence that that is the case, or whether in fact the way they are carrying out the patrols is done in

a way that deters people from fishing," he said.

The guardian program, first introduced in 1992, is very young and it's not unexpected that it should be experiencing growing pains, said Sprout.

"You're seeing a situation coming forward, where people are pointing out, I think correctly, that there are problems that have to be addressed." He said the program is being refined so that it's made to work effectively and reaches a standard they're comfortable with.

"There has been a lot of criticism in 1994 that potentially the levels of illegal activities taking place in the Fraser River is a real problem. The evidence that we have in 1994, is there definitely has been some level of illegal activity of people fishing and mis-reporting fish, but on balance, we have no evidence to suggest that it was anywhere near the level that it may have been in the past, particularly in 1992."

Sprout said there has been illegal activity the DFO has come across, but there is no reason to suggest the problems the West Coast salmon fishery has experienced this year are related to the Native fishery.

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MISSING CHILDREN

Four missing young women in Yellowknife have sparked rumors of a serial killer at work, but RCMP say there's no truth to the rumor. And two young girls missing from Smithers, B.C. have the townspeople wondering if someone out there is preying on young women.

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IRCA FINALS

Standoff in southern Alberta was the site of some exciting bronco bucking during the Indian Rodeo Cowboy Association rodeo this month. Dozens of cowboys and cowgirls showed their best in efforts to take that happy trail to the Indian National Finals Rodeo at Rapid City, SD, Oct. 27 - 30.

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AD DEADLINES

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Yukon claims 21 years in the works

OTTAWA

Four Yukon land claim settlements are poised to be implemented after 21 years of negotiations on surface rights and compensation.

The Yukon Surface Rights Board Act, or Bill C-55, was introduced to the House of Commons in Ottawa on Oct. 7 by Indian Affairs and Northern Development Minister Ron Irwin. On receiving royal assent, a last-step formality to legislation, the Yukon land claim settlements can be implemented.

The agreements will contribute to certainty of land title. Benefits will include cash, land and participation in wildlife and other management boards for the Vuntut Gwitchin, Champagne and Aishihik, Nacho Nyak Dun First Nations and the Teslin Tlingit Council.

The bill is legislation which ensures a process for dealing with disputes regarding access to vast holdings of private land in the territory. When this bill is passed the Yukon First Nation Final Land Claims Settlement Act and the Yukon First Na-

tions Self-Government Act, passed in July, come into effect.

Under the bill, a person may apply to the board for the arbitration of disputes between those holding surface rights and those holding sub-surface rights; the amount of compensation given for expropriation of settlement lands; and the amount of compensation for pockets of government lands retained within settlement lands.

The board is empowered to establish the terms and conditions of

rights of access, award compensation for access and for damage resulting from access.

For years there has been uncertainty concerning land title in the Yukon. The bill confirms the legal rights of miners remain unchanged and purports to offer a foundation upon which a new partnership between First Nations and the mining industry can be built.

Ten more Yukon First Nations are waiting in the sidelines to proceed with their land claim settlements.

WINNIPEG

Presbyterians apologize

At an annual general assembly in early October, the Presbyterian Church publicly confessed its sins against the First Nations.

"We regret that there are those who are deeply scarred by the mission and ministry of the Church . . ." stated the confession presented by Rev. Dr. George Vais, head of the church.

"With the assistance and encouragement of the Canadian government, children were taken from their homes and placed in residential schools."

On behalf of the First Nations of Manitoba, Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs Grand Chief Phil Fontaine received the confession which acknowledges the painful history of the Church's relationship with First Nations.

"The effects for First Nations was the loss of cultural identity and loss of parenting skills, which has continued to damage subsequent generations," Fontaine said.

Requesting full support from the United, Presbyterian and Anglican Churches, the church will participate in a project to set up residential treatment facilities.

NATION IN BRIEF

AFN defending Quebec sovereignty

Assembly of First Nations chief Ovide Mercredi said he will take to the international stage to defend Quebec Native sovereign rights. Mercredi said a delegation representing Quebec Natives will travel to Europe, making stops in France and Great Britain, to argue their case before an independence referendum is held. He wants "to make people aware of the potential threat to our rights here in Quebec". Mercredi said if Quebec separates with its current borders and against the will of the province's Aboriginal people, its international recognition would be damaged.

Sovereignty a costly endeavor

A Quebec economist said the cost of sovereignty to Quebecers could total an extra \$3.4 billion a year for the first few years. The extra cost would result from starting up a new country and funding social security programs in the province. A byproduct of independence would be a considerable slowdown in Quebec's economy, he predicted.

Help to Ukraine protested

Peguis Band Chief Louis Stevenson doesn't understand

how Canada could help Ukraine become self-sufficient when it's not prepared to lend the same help to Native communities. He said Native leaders will stage a demonstration during a Group of Seven conference on Ukraine's economic future held Oct. 27 in Winnipeg. Stevenson said that while the leaders had nothing against Ukraine or the Ukrainian community they want to hold Ottawa up as hypocritical for not spending energy and resources in its own backyard before assisting a foreign country.

Casinos in Akwesasne

The Mohawk reserve of Akwesasne, divided by the Quebec-Ontario border and the Canada-U.S. border, will soon see casinos in operation on its American side. Members of the Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe voted in favor of gaming on the reserve under a deal negotiated with New York State. Only members who live in the U.S. were eligible to vote on the issue, which has sparked heated battles on the reserve. Illegally-run private casinos had sprung up on the reserve and raids, roadblocks, gun battles and two deaths resulted. The Canadian side of the reserve supports the new deal. Doors are expected to open at the casino in early 1995 and it is expected to create as many as 750 jobs, most of them for Native people.

Get it done

The inquest into the death of Cpl. Marcel Lemay has gone on long enough, said Quebec's Public Security Minister Serge Menard. He wants the coroner's inquest into the death of the provincial police officer during the 1990 Oka crisis to finish as soon as possible. The inquest is expensive and has failed to produce answers, Menard said of the 125 days of hearings adjourned in May. Some Mohawk witnesses refused to testify.

Traditional justice, Aborigine-style

Australia's Aborigines are flogging, spearing in the thigh and forcing Aboriginal offenders into exile in an attempt to curb crime in their communities. White authorities frustrated by rising crime are allowing Aboriginal leaders to administer their own type of justice, sometimes without trials. Three months ago, tribal Elders in a small town near Darwin in the Northern Territory decided car theft had gotten out of control and convinced police to allow them to administer traditional justice to six Aborigines aged 15 to 25. The young men were flogged on Main Street with rubber hoses. One of the men couldn't walk for three days after the flogging, said a witness. Only one car has been stolen in the town since then.

White buffalo's birth an omen

JANESVILLE, Wisconsin

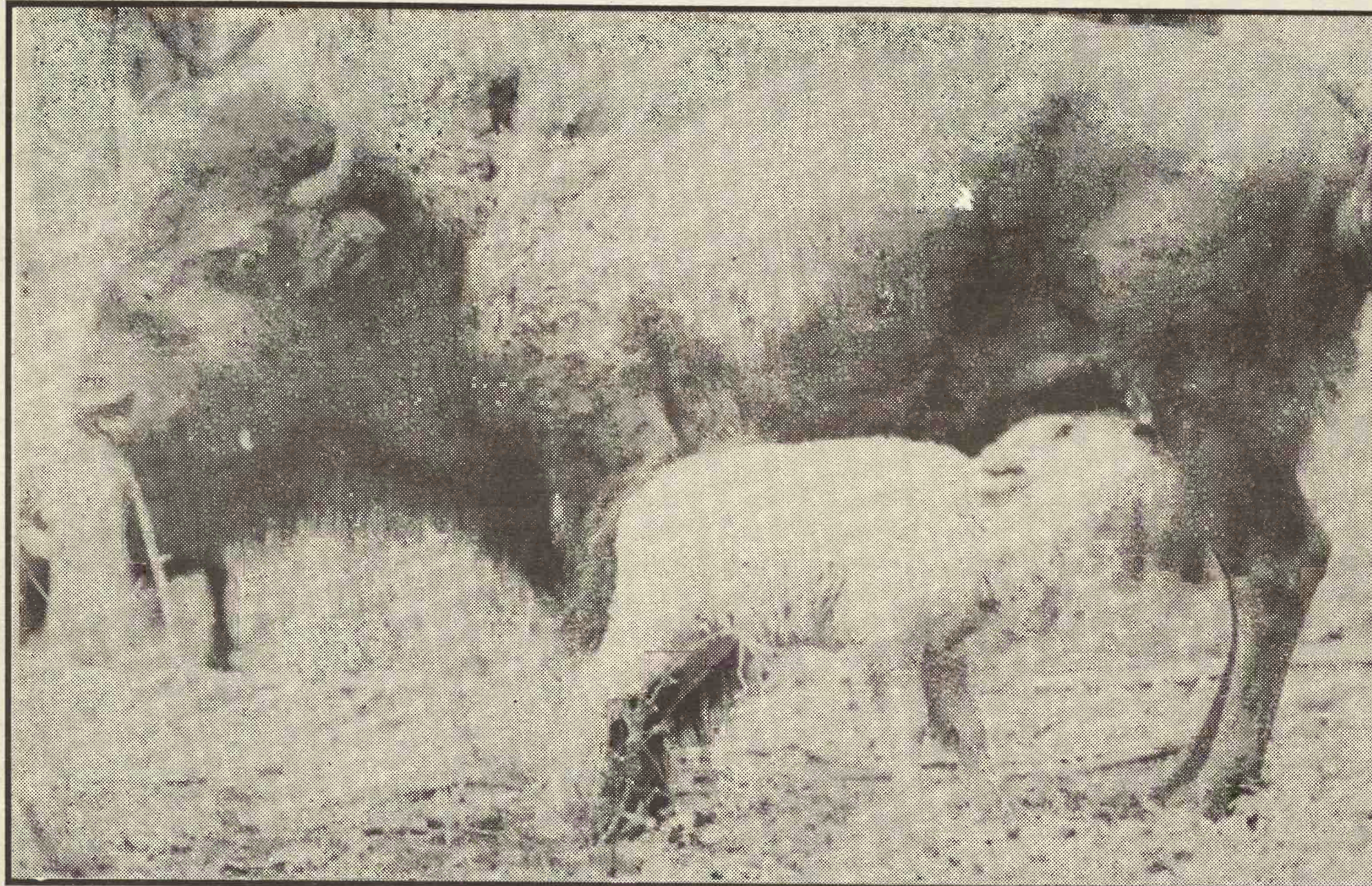
News of the birth of a rare white buffalo is spreading among American Indians, inspiring pilgrimages to what many tribes believe is a sacred, apocalyptic animal.

"This is like the second coming of Christ on this island of North America," said Floyd Hand, a Sioux medicine man from Pine Ridge, S.D. "The legend is she would return and unify the nations of the four colors — the black, red, yellow and white."

The white calf named Miracle was born Aug. 20 at the Wisconsin farm where Dave Heider raises a herd of 14 buffalo and other animals. He plans to have it tested to see if it is a true albino.

The white buffalo is particularly sacred to the Cheyenne, Sioux and other nomadic tribes of the Northern Plains that once relied on the buffalo for subsistence, said Matthew Snipp, a University of Wisconsin sociology and Indian studies professor.

The white buffalo's spiritual significance stems from its rarity. In the 1800s, when up to 80 million of the huge animals roamed the Plains, the odds against having an albino calf were estimated at one in 10 million, according to the National Buffalo Association. Relentless hunting reduced the



Rick Phillips, Janesville Gazette

Miracle, the first white buffalo born in 50 years, nurses from her mother at the Heider farm south of Janesville, Wis.

buffalo population to about 500 in the late 1800s; there are about 130,000 today.

"The impact of this and enormity of it to the Red Nation is immense," said Harry Brown Bear of Wisconsin's Oneida tribe. "This was meant to be because the teachings of our people and Elders say there would be a time

the Anglo nation and American Indian would come together in goodness."

Soon after the calf's birth, about 100 people from the Oneida, Cherokee, Sioux and a half-dozen other tribes had visited the calf, Heider said.

"One woman flew in from Arizona, paid her respects, and

then she was gone," he said.

Arvol Looking Horse, who holds the pipe given to the Sioux by the legendary White Buffalo Calf Women and Floyd Hand, came to the Heider farm. He came to perform a sacred-pipe ceremony and spread a message of cultural revitalization and peace.

The birth of the first white buffalo in more than 50 years is an omen of renewed interest in American Indian heritage, Looking Horse said.

As the 19th keeper of the sacred calf pipe, Looking Horse said the buffalo's return signifies that "a healing would begin," and dreams and visions would return.

Hand, who led a convoy of Lakota Sioux from Pine Ridge, S.D., said the calf's coming also affects non-Indians.

"It's an omen that's bringing a new change to a new world," he said. "The 21st century that's coming around is going to unify all of us. We are here to encourage people to pray for peace. We're gonna heal together now."

Heider said the family felt honored by the ceremony and gifts.

"It's not something you feel in your head; it's something you feel in your heart," he said.

More than 1,500 people from around the country have visited the animal farm.

Sue Wittig, an Ojibway from Milwaukee, has set up a trust fund at a Janesville bank for donations to help Heider care for the calf.

That address is Bank One, 100 W. Milwaukee, Janesville, Wisconsin, 53545.

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Quebec Natives cautious about separatist dealings

By Alex Roslin
Windspeaker Correspondent

MONTREAL

As promised, relations between the new Parti Quebecois government in Quebec and First Nations peoples have proven to be front-page material fairly quickly.

First it was David Cliche, the separatist government's point man on Native issues, who turned heads with his offer of a "new deal" to the First Nations. The deal, which got a lot of publicity in the Quebec media, could include royalties to development projects on Native lands. The new deal is a critical element in the PQ's efforts to build its campaign for a "yes" vote to independence in a referendum that should take place in 1995.

"Now is the time to sit down with every one of the Native nations and come to an agreement on what self-government is," Cliche told Windspeaker. "What powers and authorities will be the ones of the Native local governments and what will be the land basis on which those govern-

ments will have jurisdiction."

The Crees reacted with caution, and some might say skepticism. Cree Deputy Grand Chief Kenny Blacksmith described the Cliche offer as "a positive approach," and promised that Crees "generally respect and want to work with any party in power."

But there was also a warning that the royalties offer won't convince the 12,000 Cree people in Quebec to embrace sovereignty. "You can't entice people to join the sovereigntist cause by holding out carrots they are entitled to," said Bill Namagoose, executive director of the Grand Council of the Crees, in a Montreal Gazette story.

On Oct. 11 and 12, just one week after Cliche started selling his new deal, Quebec Chiefs met near Quebec City to discuss how to deal with the PQ government and the prospect of sovereignty. Ghislain Picard, regional Chief of the Assembly of First Nations of Quebec and Labrador, told reporters that First Nations consider their own territorial integrity to be paramount, as important to them as Quebec's territorial integrity is to the PQ.

"When the new Quebec government speaks of sharing royalties on natural re-

sources, the whole issue of ownership of this land hasn't even been discussed and it's still an issue for us," Chief Picard said in the Gazette article. Aboriginal title is where discussions between the PQ and First Nations must start, Picard added.

When Windspeaker contacted Kahnawake Mohawk traditionalist Kahn-Tineta Horn for her comments on these events, she had just finished writing a brief to the United Nations on the political situation confronting First Nations in Quebec. She was also preparing for meetings to build a Mohawk Nation Council spanning all seven Mohawk territories in Ontario, New York State, Oklahoma and, of course, Quebec.

Horn had this message for the PQ: "They'll have to deal with us, the Mohawk Nation. They say they're separating. Where are they going? Where are they going to put their government? On our lands? They haven't talked to us about it. They have to talk to us."

In her UN brief, she included the statement: "If Quebec can separate, so can the Indians."

Horn said in an interview that

Mohawks will remain neutral in the upcoming punch-up between Ottawa and Quebec City. "They've been fighting forever. We want to sit back and watch them. And let's have a good time watching them."

As for the 7,000 Inuit of Nunavik in northern Quebec, they are sitting this one out, at least for now. They did not take part in the recent First Nations Chiefs' meeting.

"The Inuit are not panicking," said Paul Bussieres, co-ordinator of Quebec affairs for the Inuit Makivik Corporation.

Unlike the First Nations, which are (largely) tied to federal funding, the Inuit rely heavily on Quebec to fund their services. Nevertheless, using careful language, Bussieres said almost the same thing as the Crees said at their Cree Nation Gathering in September — when Quebec holds its sovereignty referendum, the Inuit will choose their own future as well, inside Quebec or outside of it.

"We certainly say that at that point, we will have to consult the population about which way we will go. We will see when we get there how we will cross that river," said Bussieres.

Changes for UI, social assistance proposed

Selected issues for discussion in the federal government's paper Agenda: Jobs and Growth, Improving Social Security in Canada.

• Unemployment Insurance

Long-term unemployment in Canada is particularly pervasive among Aboriginal people or those groups dependent on a single industry or resource, reads the paper. The unemployment rate for Aboriginal people is approximately twice that of the rest of the Canadian population.

One suggested change to the system would create a two-tier system, with the first tier giving the basic insurance to occasional UI claimants. The second tier would be reserved for frequent UI claimants, or a person who uses the program three or more times within five years. Claimants would see re-

duced benefits and more active assistance in finding a job.

• Education

In Canada, the provinces are responsible for education, but the federal government supports post-secondary education to the tune of \$8 billion a year. This is done through transfer payments which are used to run universities and lessen the cost of tuition. Canada also supports \$1 billion in loans and grants to students.

The federal government proposes to shift spending from support to institutions to expanded loans for students. What may result then is higher tuition fees and a greater debt load for students upon entering the work force.

• Social Assistance

Currently there are two main federal programs designed to sup-

port those who can't work, are low-income families, or people with a disability and children.

The Canadian Assistance Plan shares the cost of social assistance and services with the province; Child Tax Benefit provides income support to families with children.

CAP has been criticized as working in a way that dissuades people from getting off welfare by making families lose support and needed services if they get a job.

The federal government suggests replacing CAP with block funding for welfare and social services to the provinces, giving them greater freedom in how the money is used. The block fund could be transferred to the provinces without conditions, or provinces may be required to conform to national welfare standards.

Government seeks input

Lloyd Axworthy, Minister of Human Resources and Western Development, is asking the nation for input into the rebuilding of Canada's social security system.

A copy of the government's new discussion paper, Improving Social Security in Canada, is available free of charge by dialing 1-800-735-3551.

Also available are background documents and a question-and-answer workbook for those individuals who want to contribute their ideas to the minister. Responses will be analyzed and submitted to the Standing Committee on Human Resources Development.

The Aboriginal component of the reform will be co-

ordinated through the office of Secretary of State, Ethel Blondin-Andrew.

Aboriginal people have never been consulted before, she said. "We want to know how we can best do things, with their advice. We look to them in this process of consultation."

In the past, she said, if Aboriginal people required social assistance they would receive help to go on the land, because they were not living in a wage-based society. People were given food and supplies, and the people would go on the land, a legitimate form of help.

"To assist people to just be dependent is not the way to do it."

Our Opinion

Time to marshall forces to face impending changes

It's the calm before the storm. The turbulence brewing over Ottawa is set to spread throughout the nation, scattering the broken bits of Canada's poor and vulnerable from the Queen Charlotte Islands to the farthest reaches of the northern territories and the salty ebb and flow of the Atlantic Ocean.

It's time for reform.

Not only has Ottawa set the wheels in motion to revamp (and lessen its financial commitment to) the country's social security net, it has put the nation on alert as to its plans to impose some of the deepest cuts in spending that Canada has ever known. An ill wind is blowing and it may be enough to loosen the tenuous grip many of us have on the life preservers we've come to need for our very survival. The individual economic situations, good or bad, to which we've become accustomed are about to change. In Canada, there is no looking back.

"There is no doubt that we are going to have to look at real spending cuts — greater spending cuts than ever before," said Federal Finance Minister Paul Martin on Oct. 17. He promised he will be swinging the axe in all directions, sparing no one but perhaps seniors on fixed incomes.

In fact, there will be very few areas in our lives that will be exempt from cuts. Martin wants the 1996-97 deficit down to \$25 billion. The 1993-94 deficit was \$43 billion. It will be a long, hard row to hoe.

Programs we have come to depend upon will be reduced or eliminated. Never mind tightening our collective belt, we're facing a constrictive, restrictive future, and there's little or nothing that can save us from it.

A memo released the day before Lloyd Axworthy, Minister of Human Resources and Western Development, released his discussion paper on social security reform, foreshadowed the coming federal government's budget intentions. The leaked document suggested the government's secret plan was to cut \$7.5 billion from our social programs. Confirmation was found in the discussion paper itself, with a sly one-sentence aside that said further cuts would be found in the 1995 budget, due out next February, if it were necessary to achieve the government's deficit target. There are no ifs, ands or buts about it, cut they will.

Has the call for public consultation in the reform process been a red herring and meant to keep a nation busy while the scythe is being sharpened in Ottawa? Does that mean we should stand back, thinking our future has been predetermined by a bunch of federal bureaucrats?

In the coming months, the nation's less fortunate and struggling, the unemployed and unemployable, single parents, working poor, sick, disabled, and children are expecting the better able of us to take to the front lines. We will be expected to be the social activists who will fight for the preservation of programs, present the changes necessary to keep them from sinking into the quagmire known as federal social reform and budget balancing. It's our obligation, our responsibility, to take on these duties without compunction or hesitation, because the people who are most in need of these programs are often the people without the resources to fight for themselves.

There's still time to say: "Look here, we will not become a nation of sick and weary, homeless and helpless. The health and well-being of our people is still a sacred trust that Ottawa can't shove under the carpet when it becomes a difficult burden to bear. We have a standard, and we won't stoop below it."

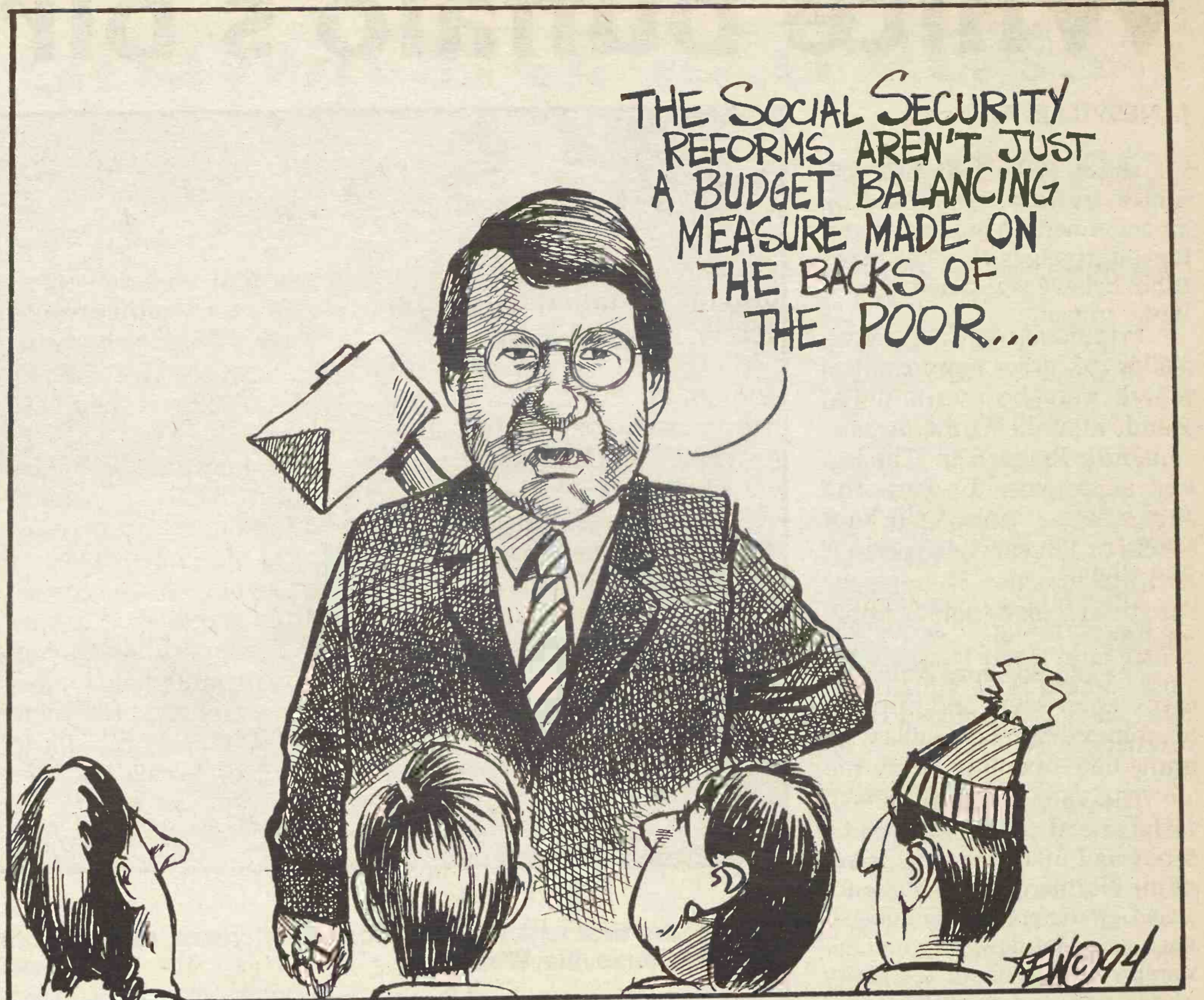


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White hair does not an Elder make

By Gilbert Oskaboose
Guest Columnist

Respect ALL of the aged but chose your Elders carefully. All of the white-hairs have travelled the Sacred Hoop of Life, but many are none the wiser for the trip.

Something strange happened to me once at a powwow. I was at the Three Fires Confederacy gathering on the ceremonial grounds of the Garden River First Nation. I had met and talked with some old friends, shared some corn soup and was beginning to enjoy the gathering, feeling good about the warm sunny day... the powwow... myself... the People...

Two elderly women passed by. One said 'Hi' and I returned the warm greeting. The other said something in Ojibway and I responded:

"Sorry, ma'am, I don't understand. Could you say it in English, please?"

"What!" the old crone shrieked toothlessly, "You don't speak Eendian! What

kind of Eendian are you that you don't speak your own Eendian lang-gwitch? Shame on you!"

Thirty years vanished in a split second and I was back in my community, fresh out of residential school and under the withering toe-tapping glare of another "all-wise and sacred Elder," who demanded an answer to the same question: "What the hell kind of Eendian are you if you can't speak Eendian and don't know your culture?"

This time I just walked away. This time I didn't bother explaining that I'm the kind of Indian that was dragged away from his parents and other tribal role models at age five to be raised by white men who wore black dresses — while you and your gutless generation watched it happen. I didn't bother saying that it was you, old lady, who stood by, drunk, hat in hand, and allowed it to happen. This time I just walked away.

I was brought up not to raise my voice in anger to old

people. I don't always live up to the teaching and it sure doesn't stop me from thinking:

How dare you dump on me for surviving an Indian residential school!

How dare you and your ilk preach about respecting other people but take it upon yourself to criticize and belittle a complete stranger!

How dare you dismiss the majority of our people who no longer speak the language and know little or nothing of their culture as some kind of non-people!

How dare you bully the younger people into pretending they speak the language once they learn to say hello, thank you, their "Eendian" name, their totem plus a few other words or numbers!

God, there's some ugly people out there.

(Gilbert Oskaboose is a 53-year-old Ojibway from the Serpent River First Nation in Ontario. He's a retired journalist and former communications director for the North Shore Tribal Council.)

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Your Opinion

Natives invited to serve in U.S. navy

Dear Editor:

I would like to inform your readers of career opportunities which may be available to members of their tribe. American Indians born in Canada who are between the ages of 17 and 34, have completed high school or 12 years of education and are at least 51-per-cent American Indian could possibly qualify.

The United States Navy has many entry level and apprenticeship positions available with immediate openings. With the job market being on a downward trend, these positions could definitely be a beginning point for an excellent career which, after 20 years of service, can yield a pension.

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two, three or four years will provide an individual with technical job training, full medical and dental benefits, room and board, plus a competitive salary. Rapid advancement based on job performance and knowledge is possible, as well as advance educational opportunities to include free or low cost college classes or technical school training, management and leadership training, stable employment, world travel and numerous other benefits associated with the United States Navy.

Most importantly, the Navy provides excellent job training and employment opportunities found with very few employers. We are committed to seeking out the best qualified people to hire for the United States Navy,

and we also feel this letter would be a tremendous way to assist American Indians seeking outstanding vocational training or wish to continue their education.

If you know any individuals who are 51-per-cent American Indian, or have a green card to work in the United States, or have a parent who is an American citizen and wish to further discuss the opportunities available to them through the United States Navy, please have them call (206)733-0320 and talk to Petty Officer Curtis Beers or Petty Officer Richard Buford. They can call collect if they wish.

Curtis R. Beers Jr.,
Recruiter-in-Charge

Algoma grads called upon

Dear Editor:

Being a former student and past graduate of Algoma University College, I have often pondered the whereabouts of my fellow Native graduates. This is the reason why I am writing this letter! I hope to see the development of an Aboriginal Alumni Association!

Besides getting caught up on the latest happenings for all AUC Aboriginal graduates, the association could also become involved in fund-raising ventures to sponsor scholarships and bursaries for Aboriginal students currently enrolled in AUC academic programs.

Financial assistance could also be given to Aboriginal students who demonstrate academic excellence or require short-term emergency funding. Different cultural and social events could be arranged throughout the year to heighten Aboriginal cultural awareness.

If you would like to become involved in any or all

of the above, please indicate your preference(s) below.

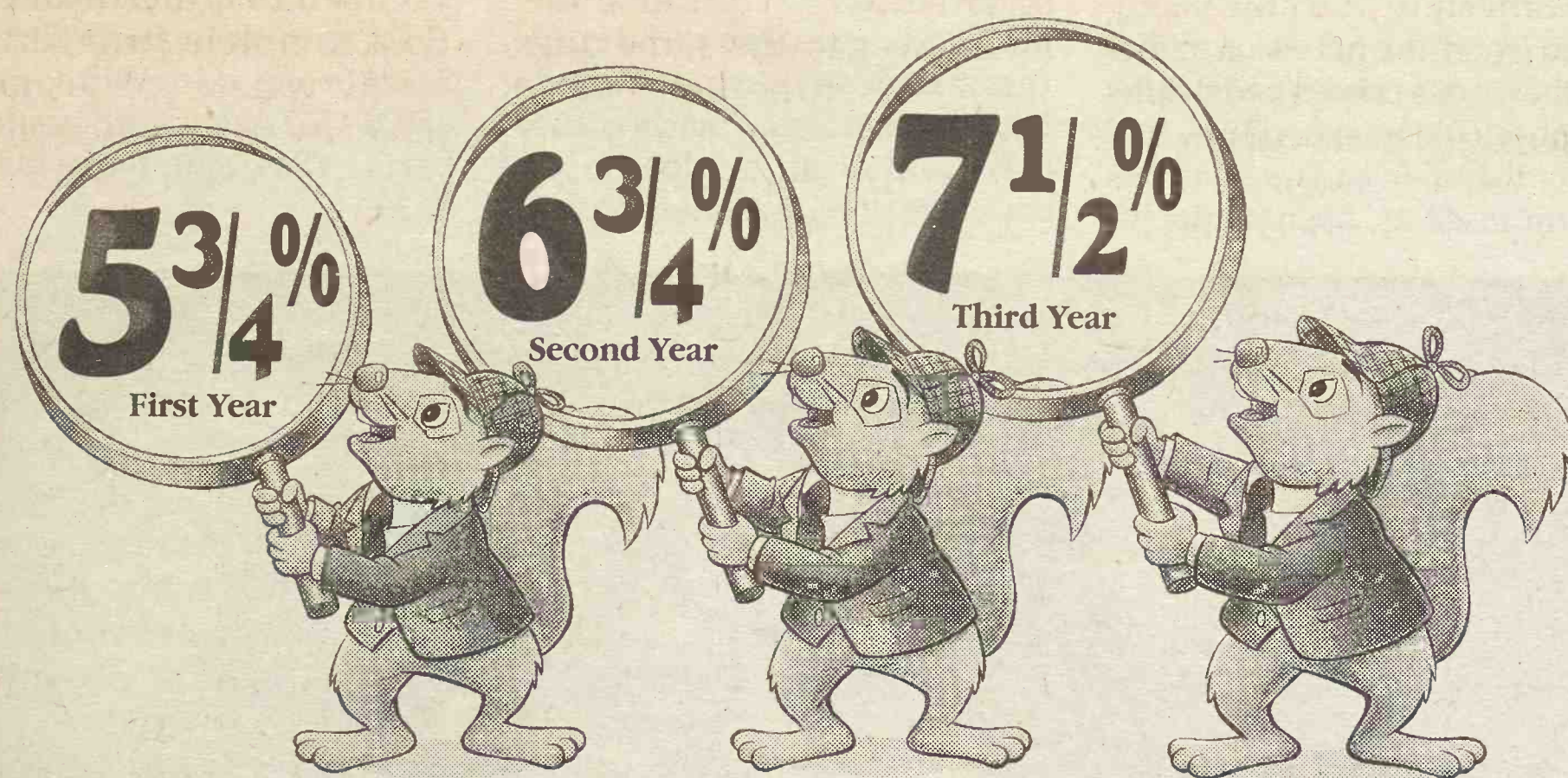
- To become a member of AUC's Aboriginal Alumni Association, include your name, mailing address, postal code and phone number;
- tracking of AUC Aboriginal graduates;
- fund-raising;
- organizing cultural/social events.

It is hoped that the above areas would develop their own committees as required. Your enthusiasm and co-operation is needed to make this a success. I know I can count on your support! A combination founding meeting/social is being planned for Saturday, Dec. 10, 1994. Details will be forthcoming. Please mail your responses by Nov. 30 to Alanna Jones, Aboriginal Alumni Association, Algoma University College, 1520 Queen Street East, Sault Ste. Marie, Ont. P6A 2G4. Or phone (705) 949-2301, Ext. 522. Internet/E-Mail Address: jones thunderbird.auc.laurentian.ca.

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Lands taken

Dear Editor:

I'm writing directly in hopes of having a story told and passed on towards what Canada and the United States of America will be negotiating in regards to the Migratory Bird Convention and possibilities of amendments to be made on whether an Aboriginal be recognized to hunt year-round.

I'm 29 years of age, born and raised in a remote fly-in community referred to as Attawapiskat, sited along the James Bay coast of the province of Ontario. The Canadian government refers to my people as Natives, in its Constitution as Aboriginals and in their Indian Act as Indians.

But I myself, prefer to be identified as Cree. I take pride in being born a Cree as much as I am proud of my heritage.

My people are at times referred to as the Muskegowuk, or Swampy Cree, which de-

finer the land where we are living from - the muskeg. Of which we have been occupying since time immemorial, is being slowly allocated away by both the federal and provincial governments of Canada.

First, they allocate a parcel of land for our benefit - what they refer to as a reserve. Then they proceeded to allocate a provincial (Polar) park, along the coast of the Hudson and James Bay, then a bird sanctuary on Akimiski Island.

Now both governments are granting permits to mining groups for diamonds and oil, and other grants to outfitters, for moose hunting and fishing camps.

All acts proceeded without first consulting with the original people who inhabit the land they are encroaching on.

Joseph Louttit
Attawapiskat First Nation, Ont.

Letters welcome

Windspeaker welcomes letters to the Editor. Submissions should be approximately 300 words or less in length. All letters must be signed with a first and last name or an initial and last name. A phone number and address must be included, not for publication but for verification.

All letters are subject to editing.

Please send letters to Linda Caldwell, Editor,
Windspeaker, 15001 112 Ave., Edmonton, AB
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Indian Country

Community Events

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO INCLUDE YOUR EVENTS IN THIS CALENDAR FOR THE NOVEMBER 7TH ISSUE, PLEASE CALL ETHEL BEFORE NOON WEDNESDAY, / OCTOBER 27TH AT 1-800-661-5469, FAX: (403) 455-7639 OR WRITE TO: 15001 - 112 AVENUE, EDMONTON, ALBERTA T5M 2V6.

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INDIGENA 94 (see ad)

September 17 - November 20, 1994, Calgary, Alberta

AIDS: SHARING THE JOURNEY

October 25 - 27, 1994, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

FIRST NATIONS BUSINESS AWARDS

October 27, 1994, Sudbury, Ontario

SECOND ANNUAL FUNDRAISING GALA

October 28, 1994, Calgary, Alberta

QUALITY CRAFT SHOW

October 28 - 30, 1994, Edmonton, Alberta

1ST ANNUAL POWWOW

October 28 - 30, 1994, Winnipeg, Manitoba

2ND ANNUAL MEMORIAL ROUND DANCE

October 29, 1994, Enoch, Alberta

WELLNESS & SPIRITUALITY

October 30 - November 2, 1994, Tucson, Arizona USA

ABORIGINAL COMMUNITY CONF. ON HIV/AIDS

November 2 & 3, 1994, Edmonton, Alberta

INNOVATIONS & ALTERNATIVES IN MENTAL HEALTH

November 2 - 5, 1994, Calgary, Alberta

NATIVE ARTS & CRAFTS SHOW & SALE (see ad)

November 4 - 6, 1994, Edmonton, Alberta

15TH ANNUAL RITA HOULE AWARDS BANQUET

November 5, 1994, Edmonton, Alberta

CRYSTAL KIDS POOL TOURNAMENT

November 6, 1994, Players Billiards, Edmonton, Alberta

INTERDISCIPLINARY SYMPOSIUM ON WILDLIFE, FOREST & PEOPLE

November 6 & 7, 1994, Winnipeg, Manitoba

8TH ANNUAL HIV/AIDS CONFERENCE

November 6 - 8, 1994, Vancouver, British Columbia

EDUCATION AUTHORITIES SYMPOSIUM

November 7 - 11, 1994, Prince Albert, Saskatchewan

TRADITIONAL MEMORIAL ROUND DANCE

November 11 & 12, 1994, Enoch, Alberta

NATIONAL ADDICTIONS WEEK

November 14 - 20, 1994, across Canada

STOPPING THE VIOLENCE CONFERENCE

November 16 - 19, 1994, Vancouver, British Columbia

COMING HOME: NATIONAL METIS FAMILY CONFERENCE

November 16 - 19, 1994, Edmonton, Alberta

DREAMCATCHER 94: ABOR. YOUTH CONF.

November 18 - 20, 1994, Edmonton, Alberta

POUNDMAKER/NECHI ROUND DANCE

November 19, 1994, St. Albert, Alberta

CHRISTMAS CRAFT SALE

November 19, 1994, Edmonton, Alberta

NATIVE SPIRITUAL WORKSHOP

November 24, 1994, Lloydminster, Alberta

KAMLOOPS ANISHAWBEK FALCONS ALL-NATIVE SENIOR MEN'S HOCKEY TOURNAMENT

November 25 - 27, 1994, Kamloops, British Columbia

NEXUS 94 (see ad)

November 28 & 29, 1994, Vancouver, British Columbia

ALL-NATIVE ART & CRAFT SHOW & SALE

December 1 - 3, 1994, Lloydminster, Alberta

Oki. Many of you have written me to put in your poetry. I have read all your poems and I'm sure glad there are a lot of you. I used to write poetry when my mind would work for me.

This time I want to share a poem I wrote a couple years ago when I was taking care of my niece. She had a young, eager mind that wanted to know and see things like I did when I was a teen. She left me because I wouldn't listen to her and give her a piece of my love. Right now, she lives in the northern bush of Saskatchewan with a child and a husband. This is dedicated to you, my child (through my eyes) Dana.

*Where have all the children gone
their eyes are imposed blackness
their tongues severed
leaving no words.*

*Where have all the children gone
they lived here with love
they've given and taken their share as any*

*they lived here once with love
Where have all the children gone
leaving us lonely and empty
leaving us with questions
and giving no answers*

*Where have all the children gone
in the world with no respect or trust
they live with the unknown
they live in chaos*

*Children are the future but why oh why
do they leave with bitterness and hate
listless from no ears that will listen
no eyes seeing them as they are*

*A child, a small adult
with a mind and spirit as you and me
needs teaching from you
needs love from you*

child, will you need me as I need you?

Bad habits can be broken

Calgary, Alta. — The RCMP and Poundmaker's Lodge have master-minded a project aimed at the youngsters of the reserves. The program is called Aboriginal Shield. It's a life skills training program helping to teach the young ones to avoid the habits or addictions that cause crimes and deaths throughout the reserves. They will go over the main causes of addictions on reserves, such as unem-



PEOPLE & PLACES

by Ethel Winnipeg

ployment, broken homes and incomplete schooling. It will give a chance for the young ones to talk about themselves, their worries, their (already) past and give them a chance to free their frustrations instead of carrying them into adulthood. With all my prayers, I see this as another step toward freedom from addiction.

Calling all Native men

I received a little letter asking for an introduction to you men. It's like a personal ad but no weirdos, hmmm, I asked myself why a Native man then? Just kidding! This is what she wanted you guys to see: Australian female would like to meet Native Canadian male, approx. 35 - 40 years, anybody interested please write to:
Ursula Arnold
46/77 Riley Street
East Sydney NSW 2010
Australia

Hey if you have the time to meet a woman from across the seas and are willing to share your experiences or life, drop her a couple of lines.

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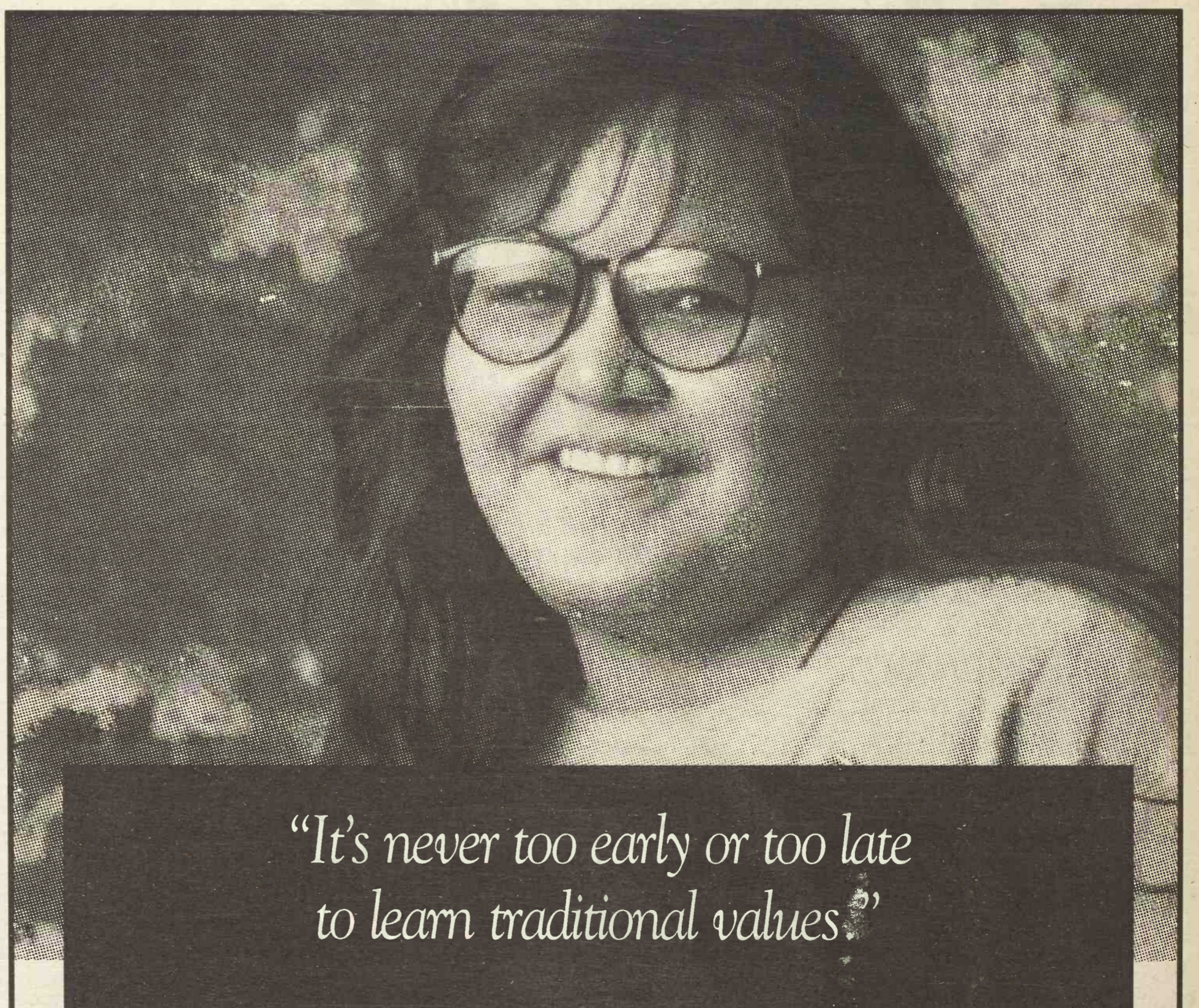
Edmonton, Alta. — Well, it's that time of the year again. Maybe for some of you that would like to get your Christmas shopping done early. The White Braid Society is holding its fourth annual Native Art and Craft show and sale. This event features artists of the Native origin who come together to show their pride and artistry. The exhibitors are from across Canada, N.W.T., and United States with locals from around Alberta. The crafts are diverse from moccasins

to beaded jewelry to fine art as in paintings. This year will also recognize the Year of the Family; and a special Children's Learning Area. If you are hungry from looking so hard, there will be Native foods to enjoy. It's happening on Nov. 4-6, 1994 at the Edmonton Convention Centre. The times are Nov. 4 & 5: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Nov. 6: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. So come out and see what kinds of gifts you can purchase for your loved one.

Attention storytellers!

Most of you are shy or you know money is not involved or no prizes, so you don't drop me a line. Just kidding! Anyways, I'm always beating around the bush and telling you this and that before I get to the point. The point is. . . Windspeaker is putting on its annual Christmas contest for all you storytellers. Get your pen and paper and start writing your Christmas memory to tell the rest of Canada and the world. First prize is \$200 and a year's subscription, second is \$100 and a one-year subscription and third is \$50 and a one-year subscription.

Please read this part real careful okay! If not I'll go as slow as I can. **All entries** (is this slow enough?) **must be received by December 2.** All the winning entries, and the best of the rest, will appear in the December 6 and 19 issues of Windspeaker. The winners will be announced in the January 2, 1995 issue. Before I let you off for this week the address to write or fax is Christmas Memories, c/o Windspeaker, 15001 - 112 Avenue, Edmonton, Alberta T5M 2V6, Fax: (403) 455-7639.



*"It's never too early or too late
to learn traditional values."*

Belinda Stick, Whitehorse, Yukon, has been nominated and selected to the National Native Role Model Program. Her values and beliefs are an inspiration to others and reflect the vision of the program.

The National Native Role Model Program is a national health program committed to the recruitment and promotion of role

models whose dreams can inspire youth to create and achieve positive lifestyles.

For more information, or to invite the program into your community, call 1-800-363-3199.



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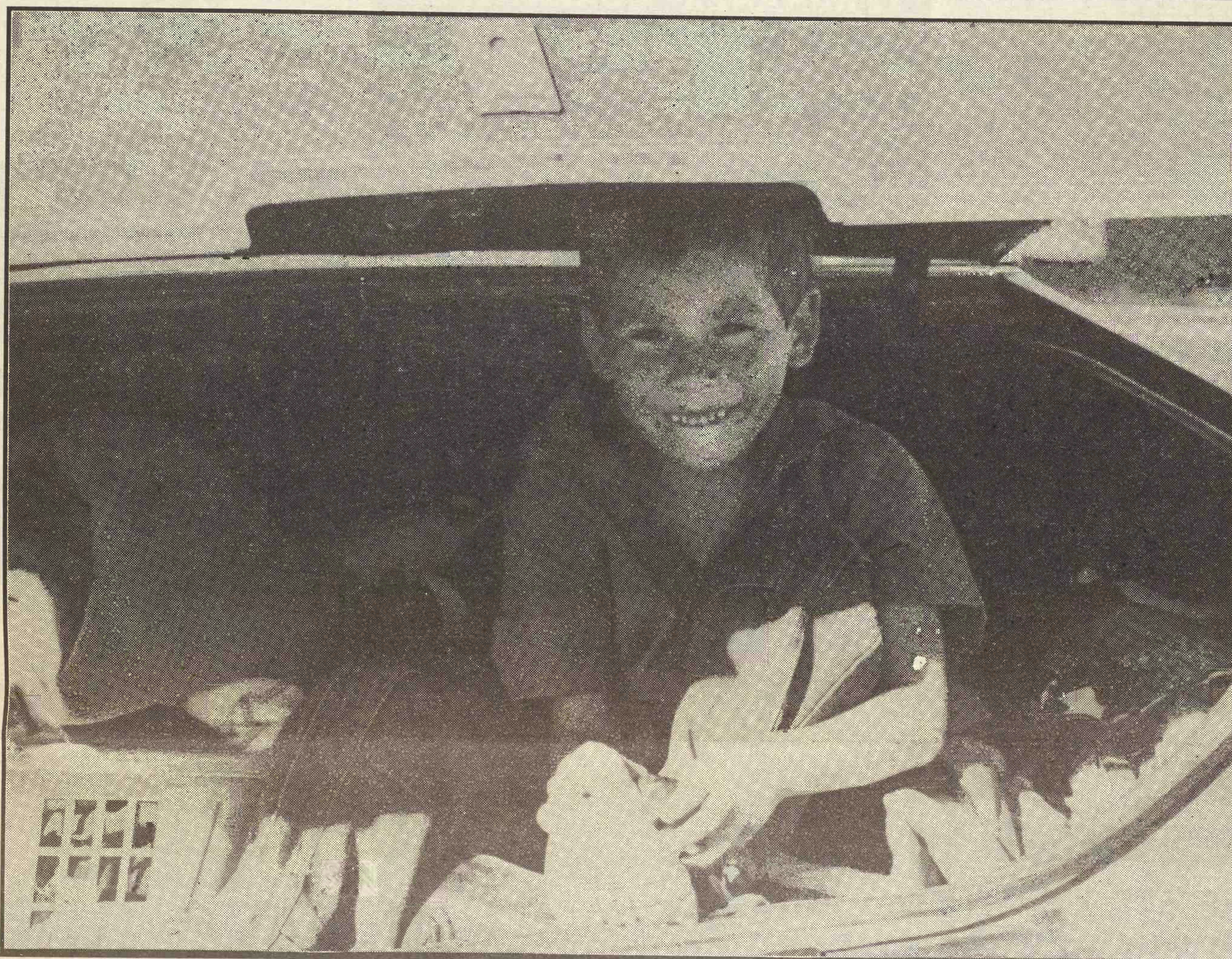
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Bert Crowfoot

Shady deal

Taking time out during a hot, dusty day on the plains of southern Alberta, Aaron Whitefish, 6, cools off in the only place with shade he could find, his dad's car trunk. Aaron was a spectator to a recent treaty signing celebration at Siksika First Nation between Cree and Blackfoot.

Metis right to hunt defended in Ontario

By Debora Lockyer
Windspeaker Staff Writer

TORONTO

The Metis Nation of Ontario has hired renowned Canadian lawyer Clayton Ruby to defend the test case for an MNO member charged with hunting under the guidelines of its newly declared Metis Hunt.

Metis are being urged to hunt moose and deer this fall in defiance of Natural Resources Minister Howard Hampton and his department. Hunters are being called to support the endeavors of the MNO to have the Metis right to hunt under section 35 of the Canadian Constitution recognized by the province.

Hampton had earlier rejected an MNO proposal outlining the harvest of 245 of the more than 150,000 moose in Ontario, saying he doubted the MNO acted for all the Metis in the province. The minister also said the proposal came too late in the 1994 season and to allocate the

moose to the Metis "could create a conservation issue."

But the Metis are asking for very little, wrote Ruby in a letter to the minister.

"You have allocated 26,955 moose for recreation and sport hunting this year in Ontario. The Metis Nation of Ontario, their families and their children need 245 moose to sustain them over the winter (55 in the Northwest region). Why are there so many for recreational purposes and nothing for food for the Metis?"

Tony Belcourt, president of the MNO, was surprised by the minister's one page letter rejecting the proposal. The plan had been created in cooperation with natural resources officials over a period of eight months, he said.

"Our people will no longer hunt in secret - the right to hunt for food is a constitutional right of the Metis and we will now exercise our right in spite of our best effort to take a reasoned and negotiated approach," said Belcourt.

Ruby expanded upon the

Metis argument saying the minister's reasons for rejecting the proposal were misleading.

The impression the minister seems to wish to create is that the Northwest Metis Hunt Agreement was initially proposed only at the end of September, when the reality is the proposal had been in the works since as early as March, wrote Ruby.

A Sept. 29 meeting with representatives from MNO and the ministry resulted in the negotiated agreement which was then sent to the minister for approval. The Metis believed the government was acting in good faith during the eight months it took to come to the mutually acceptable agreement, said Ruby. It is clear now that was not the case, he concluded.

And the question of representation is not the issue, said Belcourt. The defence of the Aboriginal right to harvest fish and wildlife for food is the issue, he said.

The proposed agreement could only help the government to manage the resource because Metis could hunt without fear

of prosecution and MNR officials could have a better understanding of how many moose and deer are actually being harvested, said Ruby.

"Metis have always hunted deer for food and will continue to hunt, but they have been forced by the exclusionary policies of MNR to hunt by stealth and to hide their harvest."

The MNO has pledged to provide legal and financial support to challenge the unconstitutional behavior of the provincial government, said Ruby. To get the judicial wheels in motion, he has invited MNR officers to attend a hunt where he will help them gather evidence. Then a charge can be laid, said Ruby.

In the meantime, Belcourt has offered more global support to Metis hunters.

"We're going to defend every single Metis person that gets charged while they're hunting pursuant to the terms of the agreement that we negotiated," said Belcourt. "We're keeping our end of the bargain. If people are going to get charged, we will defend them."

Deaths plague reserve

PIKANGIKUM, Ont.

An entire community in northern Ontario has been labeled suicidal following the eighth death by suicide among the reserve's youths this year.

Crisis intervention teams were flown out to the remote Pikangikum community in early October after two youths committed suicide in four days. But despite efforts to contain copycat actions, two more youths killed themselves the following week.

In light of the continuing trauma to the community crisis counsellor Temius Nate said all 1,600 residents of Pikangikum are considered possible suicide risks. While the reserve gained national attention in the spring because of a wave of suicide attempts - 13 in 11 days - Nate said the situation today is the worst he has ever seen.

Leaders on the reserve are refusing to comment on the recent tragedies. The federal government summer pledge of \$3.8 million to upgrade the Ojibway community's sewer system did not address a desperate need to increase housing, said Chief Gordon Peters in an August interview with Windspeaker.

Agreement highlights:

- Any Metis holding a citizenship card issued by the MNO may participate, but must first get authorization to hunt adult moose, deer or other wildlife. The harvest must then be reported.

- The total harvest in the six regions will be 245 moose and 430 deer.

- Nothing in the agreement precludes MNO members from purchasing a license from MNR for the 1994 fall hunting season.

The MNO advises the following if stopped by MNR officials during the hunt:

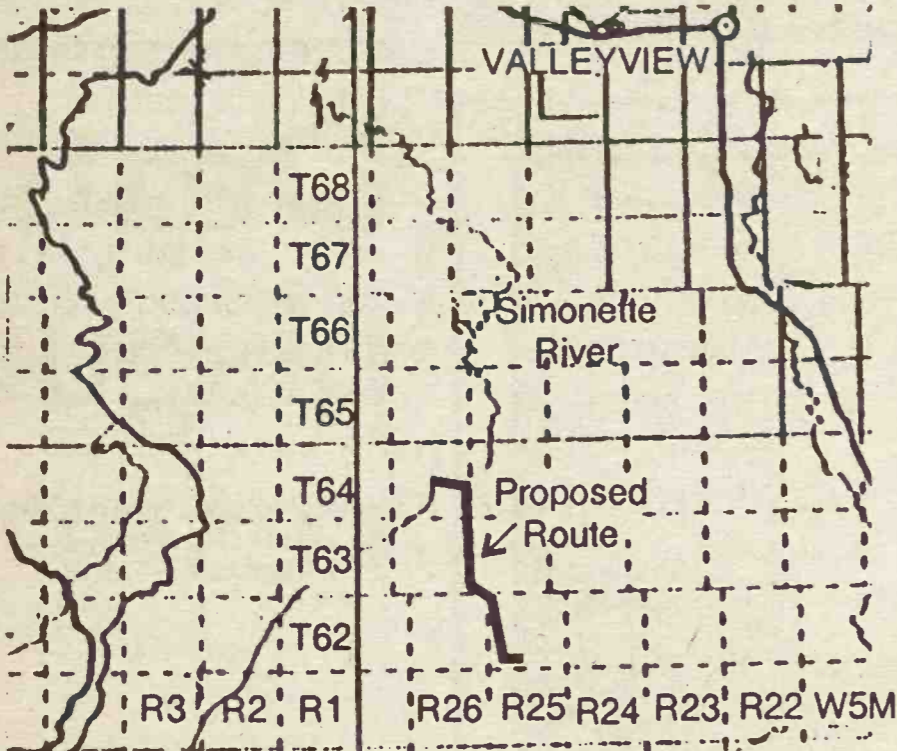
- Be polite.

- Say this: "I am a Metis person exercising my section 35 Constitutional Aboriginal right to hunt for food following my Metis traditions."

- Any person charged while hunting within the terms of the agreement should contact MNO lawyers Clayton Ruby or Rick Salter in Toronto, or the MNO.

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Cindy Koop, Slave Lake, AB, who is entering her third year Engineering at the University of Alberta.

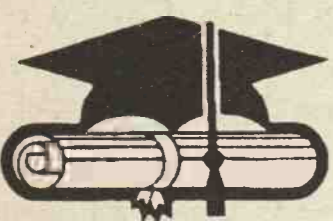
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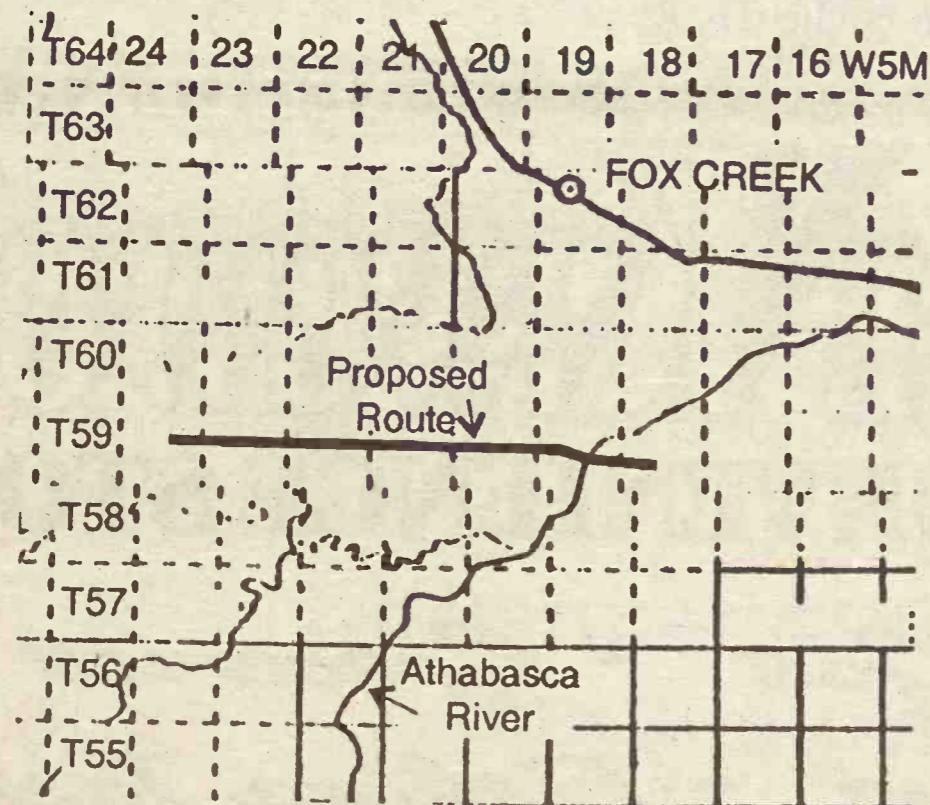
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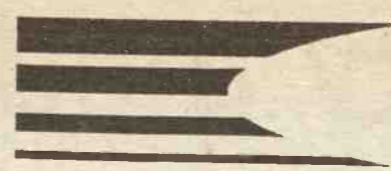
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By Jim Goodstriker
Windspeaker Contributor

STANDOFF, Alta.

A strong contingent of veterans, youth and new faces will be representing the Indian Rodeo Cowboy Association at the Indian National Finals Rodeo at Rapid City, SD, Oct. 27 - 30.

The IRCA Rodeo finals held here at the Memorial Agriplex during the Thanksgiving weekend, determined the two finalists to go to the INFR after four rounds of competition.

The year-end champions were declared by total points over 10 rodeos for the 1994 season and got the first seat to the finals. The second representative in all the major events went to the finals champions here, on total money won in each event over four performances.

The three-day rodeo provided top notch, exciting action from start to finish. Blackfoot

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Sports

Brothers shine at IRCA finals

cowboy Allison Red Crow came to the finals all pumped up and put on an outstanding performance in capturing the year-end and finals championships with year-end total points of 326, and winning \$990 in the bareback event.

This will be Red Crow's first INFR and he was thrilled with the finals results.

"I knew going in I had to just give it all and get good draws every round. This is a dream come true for me, ever since I started in the steer riding event some 15 years ago. Everything just went right, and I hope I can come home with a world championship," he commented.

Allison also picked up an extra \$445 in the bull riding, making him the top money winner at \$1,425. Kesley Chief Moon was second to Allison at the finals and will also be going to the INFR in the bareback event.

Eighteen-year-old Tyler Little Bear from Standoff, a student

at Kanai High School, put it all together to capture the finals championships in the bull riding event. The diminutive toro twister dominated the event, sticking like glue to all the bulls he rode. Little Bear won \$1,230, the most money won in a single event, winning two goes and placing second twice.

"I'm just thrilled to make my first INFR finals. I drew some of the top bulls and just went all out on all of them and it paid off for me," he said.

Year-long leader Lorne Bell from Peigan hung on to his lead to end the season with 297 points and his third trip to the INFR.

Two veteran calf ropers who have been to the world finals before, will be taking aim at a world title.

Standoff's Robert Bruised Head won the year-end title with 189 points, while Ken Augare of Browning, Montana, won the finals title with total winnings of \$800.

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Call for Papers

A national conference on resource development and management on the traditional First Nations territories is to be held in Calgary during April 23 to 26, 1995. This forum is solely an initiative by the First Nations and the resource development industries of mining, forestry, hydro, oil and gas. The program advisory council chaired by Robert Blair is now calling for the presentation of papers on co-management and related themes. Sponsorship and exhibit/trade show opportunities still available. For further information:

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Sports

Cowboys battle for championship

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A tough pen of steers gave its to the steer wrestling contestants, but this event produced the most exciting of the finals as a run-off was held to determine the finals champion.

Clarence Black Water Jr. won the year-end title, moving from third to first with 180 points. He and rodeo manager Brian Many Grey Horses were tied in total money won at \$800 each, so a run-off was held to see who would win the championship buckle.

Black Water Jr. went first and downed his steer in 7.6 seconds. With all the pressure on his shoulders, Brian came out and flattened his steer in 5.7 seconds to win the finals championship.

Byron Bruised Head won the year-end, all around and saddle bronc championships, and is no stranger to the INFR, making his first appearance in 1982 at the age of 16 years. He qualified for the finals in all three riding events, but due to injuries entered only the saddle bronc events.

Max Big Throat, a veteran for some 15 years, will be making his first trip to the finals after winning the saddle bronc finals with total winnings of \$1,035.

In the barrel racing events,

two Standoff cowgirls will make the trip south. Jackie Black Water won the year-end title with 260 points, while Lisa Jo Creighton won the finals with total winnings of \$950.

The junior barrel racing provided the tightest race of all. Janey Day Chief held a five point lead over Beck Jo Fox heading into the finals, but Fox came out the winner, taking the year-end title with 460 points, and was the finals winner with total winnings of \$617. Both junior events are excluded from the INFR finals.

The ladies' breakaway roping, an added event to the INFR for the past five years, will see both Barb Regan of Babb, Montana, and Tammy Dodging Horse of Sarcee going to Rapid City.

Chute Chatter

Thanks to the rodeo committee headed by Brian Many Grey Horses and Dolly Creighton for putting on one heck of a show... Shade & Sons and Bob Wilson supplied the rodeo stock, judges were Dake Helgerson and Bob Wilson... Besides the odd injuries, Charles Shade was the most serious after his horse banged him against the fence knocking him cold, Charles is still in hospital recovering from head injuries, a speedy recover for him... See you all at Rapid City.

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Copies of the applications and information and particulars filed in support thereof may be obtained by interested persons from the applicant, Shell Canada Limited, (Attention: R. Gorby), 400 - 4 Avenue SW, P. O. Box 100, Station M, Calgary, Alberta, T2P 2H5. Copies of the application are available for viewing at the Calgary offices of the Board.

Any person intending to make a submission with respect to this matter shall file, on or before 2 November 1994, ten copies of the submission with respect to the applications with the undersigned and one copy with the applicant at the above address, in accordance with the Board's Rules of Practice. Copies of the Board's Rules of Practice may be obtained from any Board office.

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- (ii) the facts substantiating the position of the submitter, and
- (iii) the reasons why the submitter believes the Board should decide in the manner he/she advocates.

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DATED at Calgary, Alberta on 5 October 1994.

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Treaty medal restored

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On a hot August day in 1951, a young boy's act led to the disappearance of a treaty medallion. The medal stayed in the hands of strangers for 43 years, only to return through the actions of a bereaved widow.

The missing medal, a heavy, saucer-sized silver disc, had been presented to Chief Ahtahkakoop on signing Treaty Six in 1876. The medal bears a portrait of the Queen on one side and images of the chief and treaty commissioner on the other.

Hereditary chiefs of the Starblanket family passed the medal down father to son. One day a child, left alone by his brothers to play, was approached by two men asking for

Indian artifacts to buy. He ran to get the medal and they gave him \$2. Local myth had it that the misappropriated item brought bad luck to all who possessed it.

Forty years later, a woman in Saskatchewan heard the story of the medal. The woman, who does not want to be identified, realized her husband had bought the disc as a collector's item several years ago. He later died in an accident.

The medal was returned to Chief Barry Ahenakew, of the Ahtahkakoop Cree Nation, in August. Hereditary chief, Allen Starblanket, great-grandson of Ahtahkakoop, now holds the medal, identified as the nation's, by the actions of another child who scratched his initial on the back of the disc.

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Business

Tax experts disagree on how to deal with looming changes

By Susan Lazaruk
Windspeaker Correspondent

VANCOUVER

Experts on Native taxation can't agree on the impact of a court ruling affecting tax exemption for status Indians.

But speakers at a recent Vancouver conference on the issue all agreed the 1992 Supreme Court of Canada decision referred to as the Williams case won't be the final word on Native taxes.

"The soap opera has to continue," Douglas Sander, a law professor at the University of British Columbia, told the 100 delegates

to the two-day conference this month. "Williams isn't the final act; the soprano hasn't sung yet."

The uncertainty over the Williams ruling stems from two different interpretations, one by tax collectors and the other by Aboriginal taxpayers and experts.

Section 87 of the Indian Act exempts status Indians who live and work on reserves from paying income tax. And in 1983 in the Nowegijick case, the Supreme Court bolstered that exemption by ruling a status Indian living on reserve but working off reserve didn't have to pay income tax, as long as the employer was based on reserve.

For a decade, Native businesses had structured their tax

planning based on this decision.

Then came Williams, a test case intended to decide if unemployment insurance benefits were taxable income. Because the Supreme Court couldn't determine where the payer — the federal government — was based, it concluded other factors connecting the worker to the reserve would have to be used, including where the money was earned, to entitle the worker to tax-free status.

But Revenue Canada interprets this to mean where the money is earned is the most important factor in determining if it's taxable. And it concluded if the money was made off reserve, it must be taxed.

The tax man's view is that

Williams overrides Nowegijick. The change was to take effect last Jan. 1, but was moved up to next Jan. 1 to give Natives more time to prepare.

Since the beginning of the year, nothing has changed.

Revenue Canada sticks by its version of Williams. For Natives' part, they cannot agree what the next step should be.

In a panel discussion at the conference, three different experts made three different suggestions.

Barrie Davidson, a Vancouver tax lawyer, called Williams a bad law.

"I don't think there should be any acceptance of the Williams decision," he told delegates.

He said Natives must push another test case to the Supreme Court because the tax department won't back down on its policy guidelines based on its interpretation of Williams.

"The department of Revenue Canada has no intention whatsoever of listening to debate. Its guidelines stand; there's no sense in approaching Revenue Canada."

And he suggested appealing to Jean Chretien, who just before being elected into government called Williams a bad law that needed changing.

"You're wasting your time dealing with anyone short of the prime minister and maybe the minister of revenue," said Davidson. "The First Nations should directly approach the prime minister and ask (the Liberals) to live up to their commitments and to the basis in law."

David Anderson, the Vancouver-based federal revenue minister, had agreed to be keynote speaker at the conference but withdrew a week earlier without explanation, said Blythe Rogers, who handles public relations for the Native Investment and Trade Association, which organized the conference.

Revenue Canada said it doesn't set policy, it just collects taxes, he said.

Anderson could not be reached for comment.

Said Davidson, "We should all get behind a test... another test case has to be pushed to the Supreme Court to decide this case once and for all."

But Jack London, a Winnipeg

lawyer and panel member, had a different view.

"First Nations should stay as far away from the courts as they possibly can," he said. "What test cases are likely to wind up doing are setting very difficult precedents that will set back the laws that provided for the liberal interpretations in the past."

He suggested Aboriginals work the Williams decision to their advantage by adapting their tax planning under the new guidelines, for instance by setting up trusts.

"If you focus on Williams as bad law, you'll miss the good part of Williams," said London. "It opens up a whole new area of tax structuring."

A third panel member, Robin Wortman, the Metis executive director of the Advancement of Native Development Officers in Edmonton, agreed with neither plan.

"What we need is the federal government to vacate the jurisdiction of tax law and hand it over to the governments of First Nations."

"The fundamental issue is that First Nations need jurisdiction because First Nations need unlimited sources of income for economic development and to provide services to the people of their communities," he said.

In response to a delegate from a reserve in northern B.C. who, as a law student, planned to open an office in Vancouver one day and wondered if he would need to maintain an apartment on his reserve to keep his tax-exempt status, Davidson said, "The answer is yes. If you don't live on the reserve, you're dead."

He added, "Jack's view is to work within Williams' guidelines. But lots of people can't," such as wage workers who wouldn't be able to set themselves up as a corporation on reserve to maintain an exempt status, as a self-employed lawyer could.

And Wortman worried about the effect that would have on reserves, particularly, he said, when huge non-Native businesses always seem to attract the best and brightest Natives as employees.

"If you have to set up an apartment on reserve, what does that leave for the communities? Is that the way we want to see the future?"

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"Missing" means no end to the pain

By Kari Klassen
Windspeaker Contributor

Losing someone you love to a violent death leaves you with shattered assumptions about the world you once knew and an unspeakable, insidious anger, say people who have worked with victims of violence.

There is nothing like it, but there is something worse. You wake up in the morning, looking for your loved ones and they're not there. There's no one to direct your anger to. No body to lay to rest.

"There's no closure for these people," said Betty-Anne Doucette, Edmonton District Office Co-ordinator for Child Find. "There is always the possibility in the back of their minds that their loved ones are still alive."

Without a body to bury, a missing person's family and friends have been sentenced to a life of waiting and hoping for some kind of ending to an ongoing horror story.

Doucette brings up the case of Kevin James Charles, 17 at the time, missing from Chitek, Sask. since April 3, 1993.

"Kevin Charles is an enigma." Charles lived with an older



Kevin Charles

woman he called his grandmother. Mary Goodfellow, actually a family friend, is also missing, Doucette said.

"The grandmother reported being harassed. There were a lot of strange incidents, I guess. (They) were harassed to the point I believe the word 'terrorized' was used."

In the early morning of April 3, a neighbor was awakened by Kevin and an unidentified person knocking on her door.

"She was an older lady, and she didn't open up the door. Kevin and Mary have never been heard from since."



Delphine Nikal

The small B.C. town of Smithers is also trying to deal with strange disappearances. Two teenage girls have vanished.

"It's like they've disappeared off the face of the earth," said RCMP clerk Melanie Sunduck.

Delphine Nikal, then 15, phoned her mother at 10:30 a.m., June 13, 1990, to say she was heading home to Telkwa, 11 km east of Smithers. She was last seen hitchhiking on Hwy 16.

Almost four years to the day later, Ramona Wilson, 16, left her residence at 10 or 10:30 the evening of June 11, 1994. She was heading to a girlfriend's



Ramona Wilson

place. She never arrived.

"We have no idea what happened," Sunduck said.

In Yellowknife, some residents are worried about the possibility of a serial killer preying on young women. Three women are missing and a fourth one, whose body was found, is being labeled a suspicious death by police. The RCMP, however, say there is no evidence to support that rumor.

"There's nothing to indicate that there are any linkages between these four girls. We don't even know, for sure, if the three missing girls have been murdered because there aren't

any bodies," said Supt. Ross Grimmer.

One of the missing women, Charlene Catholique, 14 at the time, was last seen, July 22, 1990, at the junction of the Fort Rae access road and Highway 3. Fort Rae is 100 kilometres west of Yellowknife.

Catholique was visiting friends in Fort Rae July 18 and was hitchhiking home in the direction of Yellowknife. She got a ride as far as the junction and was never seen again.

Also missing since the summer of 1990 is Mary Rose Keadjuck, 25 at the time. She was last seen in Yellowknife in June. Keadjuck was pregnant at the time.

Leona Mae Brule is the third woman still listed as missing. She disappeared in September of 1988 and was 18 at the time.

"We believe she's still alive," said the investigating officer Cpl. Al McCambridge. "We believe she just does not want to communicate with her family."

Mariella Lennie, 16 at the time of her disappearance, was last seen alive in October of 1991. Her partially clothed body was recovered in Slave Lake May 8, 1992.

"We haven't ruled out foul play," McCambridge said. "In fact it is strongly considered."

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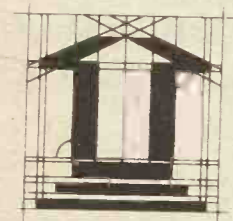
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"What if . . ." should be played in natural circumstances, such as when driving in the car. The parent should not make a big deal of it or spend a long time on it. Use situations like: What if you were home alone and someone came to the door and said their car had broken down, and they needed to use the phone? What if someone walking behind you made you feel uncomfortable?

By exploring these situations, you can give children advice to draw on if they ever encounter a similar situation. They can react by thinking, "Mom said I can do this".

Resolving Land Claims in British Columbia

• PROGRESS REPORT NO.1 •

The government of British Columbia has established a basis for negotiating treaties with First Nations and the federal government that will be fair and lasting, and will provide certainty and stability for the province.

Getting ready

- ▶ Last year, we entered into an agreement with the federal government and First Nations to establish a new B.C. Treaty Commission to oversee tripartite negotiations.
- ▶ We have negotiated a cost-sharing agreement for treaty negotiations and settlements which reaffirms the federal government's primary financial responsibility.
- ▶ Over the past year, more than 40 First Nations, representing more than two thirds of the reserve-based aboriginal population of B.C., have stated their intention to begin treaty negotiations.

Open and inclusive negotiations

To ensure public confidence in the new process, we are instructing British Columbia's negotiators on the following principles for open and inclusive treaty negotiations. We have:

- ▶ Called for open negotiations as the starting point, closed negotiations the exception.
- ▶ Committed to giving all British Columbians an opportunity to be heard, and ensured meaningful input from local communities and third parties.
- ▶ Guaranteed local government participation in the new treaty process.
- ▶ Committed to taking all agreements-in-principle to the public for review and all final agreements to the legislature for ratification.
- ▶ Committed to applying the spirit of these principles to negotiations for pre-treaty interim measures agreements.

Where we stand

We are instructing our negotiating teams on guiding principles which include the following:

- ▶ Private property will not be on the table.
- ▶ Continued access to hunting, fishing and recreational opportunities will be guaranteed.
- ▶ The Canadian Constitution and the Charter of Rights and Freedoms will continue to apply to all British Columbians.
- ▶ Fair compensation for unavoidable disruption of commercial interests will be assured.
- ▶ Jurisdictional certainty between First Nations and local municipalities must be clearly spelled out.
- ▶ Province-wide standards of resource management and environmental protection will continue to apply.

The treaty negotiation process will begin in the next few months. Watch for further progress reports and background bulletins.

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By Michelle Huley
Windspeaker Staff Writer

EDMONTON

Every day across Canada, children disappear. Many are never again seen alive.

Almost 56,000 kids were listed as missing in 1993 by the RCMP Missing Children's Registry. More than 3,300 were never found.

Law enforcement agencies train officers specifically on how to deal with such situations, and have units which go to schools to talk to and educate kids. But parents often wonder if it's enough. Are the children being taught in a way they can understand? Are they being taught what to do if someone tries to grab them?

"One of the things we try to

teach to kids is avoidance of the situation," said Const. Darren Hodson from the Crime Prevention Unit, Edmonton Police Services. The unit goes to schools and talks to the kids about safety.

"What we do is target Kindergarten to grade three," he explained. "We teach them what is a block parent, what is a stranger? A stranger can be anybody, no matter what they look like."

Hodson said many children have an idea in their minds of what a stranger looks like, such as a man with a beard, or a dark coat.

"We teach them about the lures somebody may try to use, like 'help me look for my puppy', or 'come look at a toy', and we empower them to say 'no' to an adult," he said. "We teach the kids that adults aren't

going to ask a little kid for help, they're going to ask another adult. Adults don't ask children for help to look for a dog."

Sixty-one children were abducted by strangers in 1993. More than 400 children were abducted by a parent or family member.

Const. David DeMarco, a Trainer with the Officer Safety Unit of Edmonton Police Services, said if a parent is worried about the safety of a child, it's essential to ensure the children are always under observation. Whether playing outside or going to or from school, they need to be constantly supervised.

Parents should call police immediately if they suspect their child is missing. Field officers would be dispatched to investigate further, DeMarco said.

"We want to consider the

safety of the child first. Their safety, that is first and foremost."

All education and information is helpful, DeMarco added.

"Most of the programs schools have today are right down to basics. Don't talk to strangers, don't wander away, learning to identify block parents, and about not going and putting themselves at risk."

DeMarco thinks organizations such as the RCMP Missing Children's Registry, Child Find, and The Missing Children Society of Canada are very positive sources for communication and information. Although Edmonton police have a good relationship with other police services, it can be hard to share information, he said.

"Once a missing person's report is confirmed, it's very helpful not only to have fingerprints, but also to have current

pictures," he said, referring to organizations that provide these services to parents.

Officers with the Edmonton Police Services are trained in how to respond to missing persons' reports in theory and by experience in the field.

Experts say children are bombarded with information about stranger danger, but do they know who a stranger is? Strangers include people like the postman and the person behind the counter at the store.

Hodson said parents should teach kids to "kick, scream, and make a lot of noise" if someone scares or tries to grab them.

"The more we talk about this, it gives them an awful lot of confidence," he said. "We try to give them ammunition so if they find themselves in a situation, they can react."

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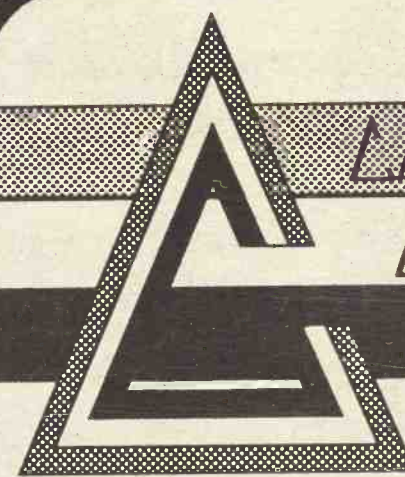
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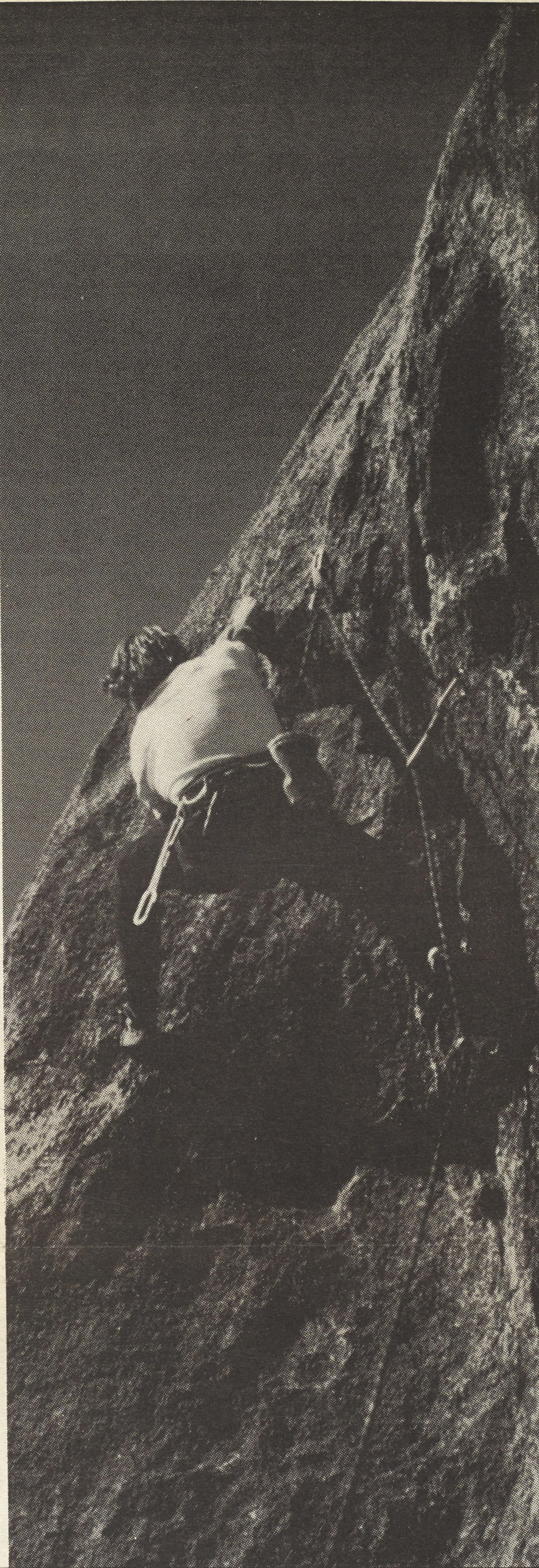
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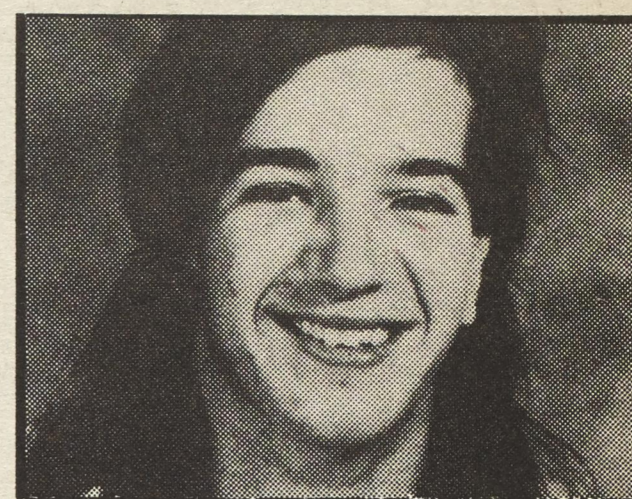
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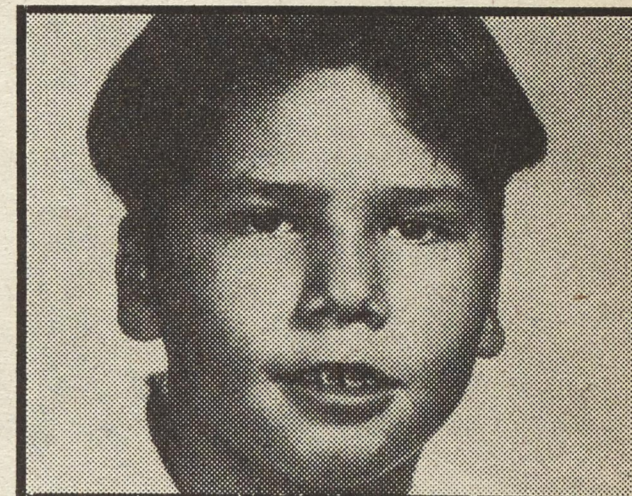
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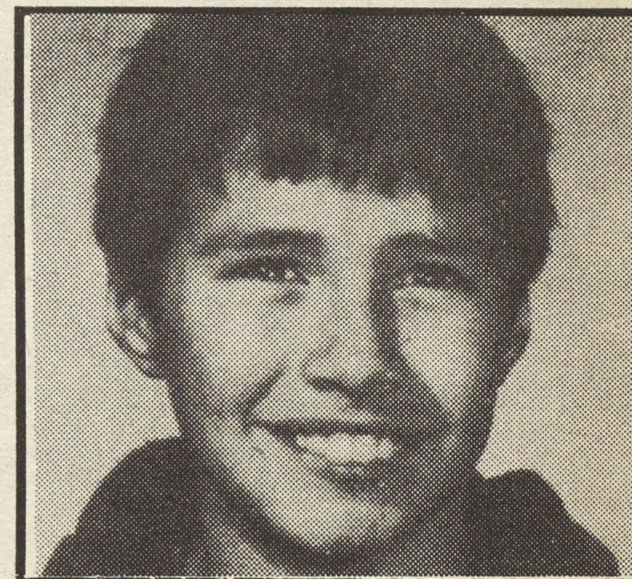
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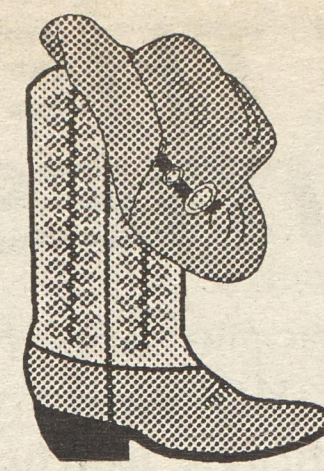
Parents also need to be more involved in scrutinizing

whom they leave their children with, be it a babysitter, day care worker, or camp counsellor. Most parents have good radar and shouldn't rationalize away uncomfortable feelings. If you are uneasy about a babysitter, coach, or Sunday School teacher, get the child out.

Other common sense safety tactics include teaching your child not to allow anyone in the house and not to tell callers that you are not at home. Instead,

have them say, "My parents can't come to the phone. May I take a message?" You might want to tape those sentences to the phone.

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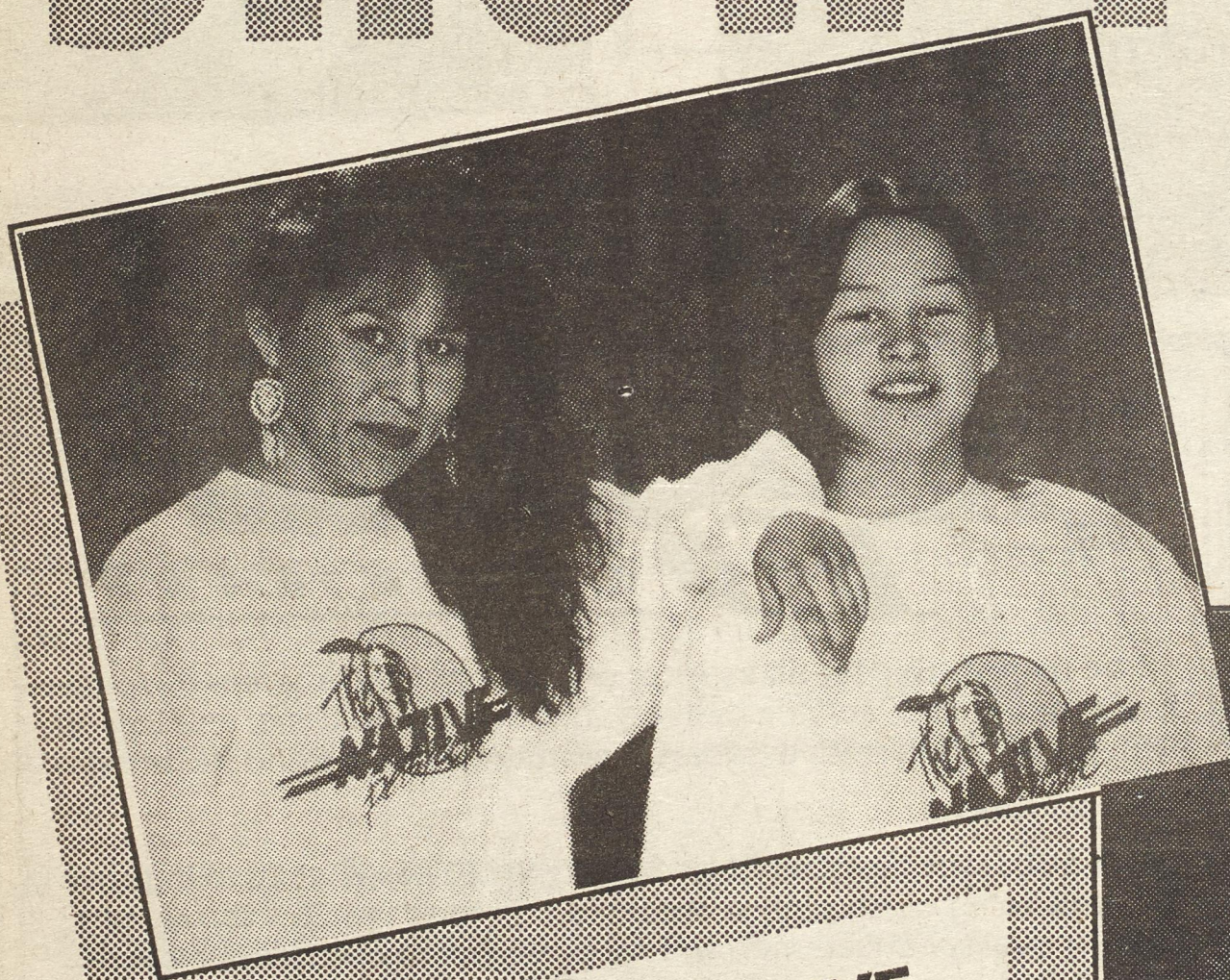
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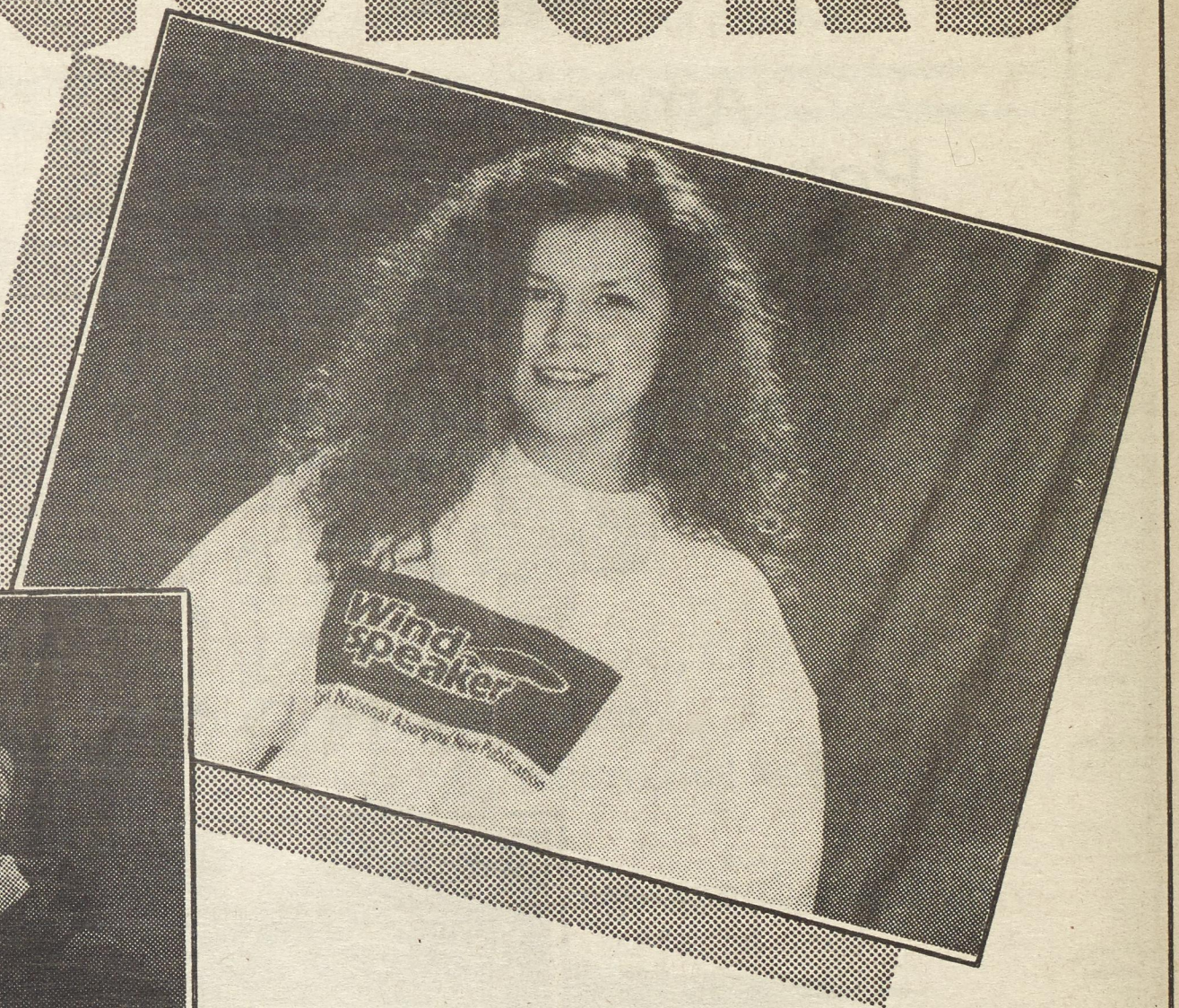


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