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INSPIRATION FOR THE NEW YEAR

Go placidly amid the noise and haste, remember what peace there may be in silence. As far as possible and without surrender be on good terms with all persons. Speak your truth quietly and clearly; and listen to others, even the dull and ignorant; they too have their story.

Avoid loud and aggressive persons, they are vexations to the spirit. If you compare yourself with others, you may become vain and bitter; for always there will be greater and lesser persons than yourself. Enjoy your achievements as well as your plans. Keep interested in your own career, however humble; it is a real possession in the changing fortunes of time.

Exercise caution in your business affairs; for the world is full of trickers. But let this not blind you to what virtue there is; many persons strive for high ideals; and everywhere life is full of heroism.

Be yourself. Especially do not feign affection. Neither be cynical about love; for in the face of all aridity and disenchantment, love is as perennial as the grass.

Take kindly the counsel of the years, gracefully surrendering the things of youth. Nurture strength of spirit to shield you in sudden misfortune. But do not distress yourself with imaginings.

Many fears are born of fatigue and loneliness. Beyond a wholesome discipline, be gentle with yourself. You are a child of the universe, no less than the trees and the stars. You have a right to be here. And whether or not it is clear to you, no doubt the universe is unfolding as it should.

Therefore, be at peace with God, whatever you conceive Him to be, and whatever your labor and aspirations, in the noisy confusion of life keep peace in your soul.

With all its sham, drudgery and broken dreams, it is still a beautiful world.

(Found in Old St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, dated 1692.)

HOW JOHNSON-O'MALLEY SCHOOL FUNDS WERE SPENT LAST YEAR

The Indian Rights Committee of the American Civil Liberties Union of Washington has a continuing interest in relationships of Indian citizens to their government, which is the heart of "civil liberties" concerns. Some of the committee members extend this interest to the field of equal opportunities in education, especially to allocations of federal money to public schools on or near Indian reservations under the Johnson-O'Malley Act.

Since it is important for Indian parents to know how this money is spent each year, so that they can bring informed comment to their principals and superintendents in regard to requests for JOM funds during 1969-70 and beyond, here is the official list of expenditures for the last year (1967-68) by county and school district, as published in the annual report, INDIAN EDUCATION, prepared by Robert G. Lindemuth for the State Office of Public Instruction at Olympia:

CLALLAM COUNTY

Cape Flattery School District (198 Indian students) - \$5,000 - Counselor, remedial teaching.

Port Angeles (204) - \$2,400 - Counselor aides.

FERRY COUNTY

Inchelium (127) - \$5,000 - Home economics, business education program strengthening.

GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY

North Beach (119) - \$7,000 - Remedial and special education, guidance, counseling.

Oakville (64) - \$6,300 - School lunches, home visitor.

Taholah (133) - \$5,000 - After school study, special reading, lunches.

KING COUNTY

Auburn (122) - \$3,500 - Home visitor, food service, elementary counseling.

KITSAP COUNTY

North Kitsap (112) - \$502 - Evening study hall (instructor, travel)

Klickitat COUNTY

Klickitat (30) - \$1,500 - Supplementary educational materials

MASON COUNTY

Hood Canal (70) - \$3,296 - Library services, remedial tutoring, school lunches, home visitor.

OKANOGAN COUNTY

Coulee Dam (147) - \$3,500 - School lunches, home visitor, attendance officer, arts and crafts class.

Nespelem (159) - \$2,000 - Home visitor.

PEND ORIELLE COUNTY

Cusick (51) - \$4,400 - Recreation and lunchroom aides.

SKAGIT COUNTY

LaConner (101) - \$9,000 - Home visitor services, Indian arts expansion, reduction in class size.

SNOHOMISH COUNTY

Marysville (228) - \$12,000 - Home visitor service, counseling, teacher aides, school lunches.

STEVENS COUNTY

Columbia (43) - \$4,000 - School lunches, transportation.

Mary Walker (31) - \$1,000 - Lunch program.

WHATCOM COUNTY

Ferndale (329) - \$11,500 - Home visitor, lunches, after school study center, pre-Headstart orientation.

Mount Baker (36) - \$1,000 - School lunches.

Nooksack Valley (33) - \$1,200 School lunches.

THURSTON COUNTY

Yelm (63) - \$2,000 - school lunches.

YAKIMA COUNTY

Granger (123) - \$7,357 - Attendance officer, lunches.

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SCHOOL FUNDS (continued)

Mt. Adams (450) - \$10,000 -  
Kindergarten, counseling,  
attendance officer, lunches.  
Toppenish (357) - \$2,500 -  
Attendance officer, food services.  
Wapato (555) - \$8,000 - Home  
visitor, remedial instruction.

TOTALS (3,875 Indian children) -  
\$118,955 plus \$16,575.50 for  
administrative costs and \$24,717.30  
carry-over (June 30, 1968), includ-  
ing reserves for deferred payments.

GRAND TOTAL: \$160,248 for 1967-68  
school year.

COMMISSIONER HOWE MEETS WITH  
REPRESENTATIVES OF THE POOR

Representatives of the nation's  
poor who met with U.S. Commissioner  
of Education Harold Howe II and  
his staff recently to discuss the  
problems of educating needy  
children criticized the Office of  
Education for what they said was a  
failure to back community groups  
attempting to obtain drastic  
changes in the American educational  
system.

The 16 participants further said  
in a written statement that the  
Government's methods of funding  
and operating educational pro-  
grams "have not been responsive  
to the needs of the people they  
intend to serve."

Calling for a thorough overhaul of  
the U.S. educational system, the  
group of 10 women and six men said  
that "there is no commitment from  
the Office of Education to back the  
community groups into making mean-  
ingful changes which will prevent  
perpetuation of a system which has  
failed."

The representatives accused the  
Office of Education of "shifting  
responsibility back to local  
officials."

Persons invited by Commissioner  
Howe to attend the discussion  
sessions October 22-23 were from  
both urban and rural areas and  
represented Negro, Mexican,  
American Indian, and Puerto Rican  
groups. Among them were house-  
wives and community workers.

Commenting on the group's state-  
ment, Commissioner Howe said: "The  
Office of Education has consist-  
ently urged State and local  
school officials to involve repre-  
sentatives of the poor in making  
decisions about the conduct of  
Federal education programs that  
serve disadvantaged youngsters.  
In this same spirit we invited  
representatives of the poor people  
to meet with us in Washington and  
comment on our policies and  
operations."

Howe also said, "Their comments  
have been frank, critical and use-  
ful. We have learned a great deal,  
and all of us have a better under-  
standing of poor people's problems  
and of their complaints about the  
kind of education their children  
are receiving.

"The observations of the repres-  
entatives of the poor, including  
their formal written statement to  
us, evidence considerable frustr-  
ation. We sympathize with their  
feelings and will strive to  
respond constructively to them."

One of the criticisms voiced during  
the two-day meeting concerned  
textbook publishers who in their  
efforts to give representation to  
minority groups merely "painted  
dark faces on middle class child-  
ren in middle class situations."

Some attacked local school systems  
for creating "gimmicky activities  
with federal money." The parti-  
cipants were unanimous in their  
demand for participation in the  
decision making structures of  
their school systems.

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MEETING WITH THE POOR (continued)

Although no future meetings were scheduled, Commissioner Howe extended an invitation to pursue the discussions further, at a later date, if the group desired them.

Participants in the meeting were: Ruth Atkins, New York; Thelma Chumbris, Washington, D.C.; Alan Clarke, Boston; Juanita Dominguez, Denver; Rev. Thos. Gilmore, Forkland, Ala.; Juan Gomez, San Diego; Henry Goss, Eccles, W.Va.; Sallie Hadnott, Prattville, Ala.

Also Helen Kelly, Detroit; James Lester, Henderson, Ky.; Dorothy McHenry, St. Louis; Paul Pinkerton, Cudahy, Calif.; Mirta Ramirez, Chicago; Callie Reynolds, Chicago; Pearl Warren, Seattle; and Louise Johnson, Washington, D.C.

Following is the text of the statement released by the group:

"Once again the poor have been invited to Washington to be given the run around that they get in the local community. The Office of Education is guilty of shifting the responsibility back to local officials.

"Traditional ways of funding and operating programs have not been responsive to the needs of the people they intend to serve. But we get a strong feeling that the Office of Education intends to continue to fund programs which will operate on a business as usual basis

"Although all programs encourage community participation, there is no commitment from the Office of Education to back the community groups into making meaningful changes which will prevent perpetuation of a system which has failed. There has to be a thorough overhaul of the school system throughout the nation.

"Although a great deal of research has been done on minorities--the minorities have not researched the

researchers. We feel that there is a credibility gap. We do not intend to let the inactiveness of the Office of Education lull us into inactivity."

EXCERPTS FROM A SPEECH BY U.S. EDUCATION COMMISSIONER HAROLD HOWE  
November 18, 1968

Howe emphasized the need to "listen to the people we are trying to serve and enlist their support, not just as spectators but as active participants in the decision-making process." He added:

"The legitimate demand for participation...will grow louder and spread further. Our choice will be either to capitalize on the interest and energy of those who voice that demand or to invite opposition and disruption by denying them what is after all a fundamental right of American citizenship.

"More federal, state and local money will not solve the problems of the schools unless we are skillful enough to give the people served by the schools an appropriate partnership in devising solutions to these problems. This is true of both poor people and rich people. It is true in the city, the suburbs, and the rural areas."

The Commissioner took note of objections that some of the groups seeking participation represent only a small proportion of the public; or are simply "self-appointed saviors who have neither authority to speak nor legitimate qualifications"; or are really out to destroy the system. He added:

"There is an element of truth in all three of these opinions but they contain an even larger element of a 'know-nothing' kind of negativism.

"It does not really matter whether a group represents only poor people  
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COMMISSIONER HOWE (continued)

CLALLAM TRIBE MEETS

or black people or Mexican-American people. What matters is that they have rights as citizens and, more important, that they represent sources of strength for education every bit as much as they represent sources of conflict."

Howe told of the meeting in Washington last month with 16 representatives of the poor. In giving their views, he said, "They had no hesitation whatsoever in making it clear that we should not count on them as prospective members of our fan club. What really impressed me, however... was the depth of their interest, the strength of their convictions, and the persuasiveness of their comments. They were powerful critics of education. I could not help but be struck with the vision of what powerful friends of education they might also be...I would prefer to have them and people like them on my side rather than on the other side."

COUNSELLORS' REPORT

Mrs. Cynthia Doney and Miss Jean Hunt recently visited the Nooksack Community Center at Everson, Wash. They conferred with Mr. Seymour, Co-ordinator of the Center.

Mrs. Bertha Russell has been doing follow-up work on the Spokane Reservation with students from the Eastern Washington State College Upward Bound program.

The Indian Center scholarship fund has a total of \$491.87. During December there was no request for financial aid.

Anyone needing a part-time job may call Adeline Garcia at RA 3-0272. She will put you in touch with her contact at the University of Washington.

Recently some 30 members of the Clallam Tribe met in Sequim with BIA officials and land appraisers. They were endeavoring to learn what progress has been made by appraisers in their claim against the federal government for repayment of land taken by treaty in the 1850's.

Of special interest to all members is that the Clallam Tribe's suit will be heard by the Indian Claims Commission in May.

The appraisers said that before the job is finished they will have prepared 15 maps which will be used to show timber value, value of fishing tidelands and improvements made to land at the time the treaty went into effect in 1859. The main difficulty is determining land value as of the time of the treaty. Congress will stipulate enrollment guidelines when it appropriates the money for compensation to the Tribe.

Members of the Tribe are puzzled over the Claims Commission's exclusion of the eastern portion of the area bounded by the original claim.

Tribal Chairman is Charles Fitzgerald, Sequim; Elaine Grinell of Port Angeles is Secretary.

(Excerpt from the Port Angeles Evening News.)

WELCOME TO NEW INDIAN CENTER

Portland, Oregon, now has an American Indian Arts and Crafts Center. It is located at 734 Burnside, phone 235-9784. The Director is Carl McLean. They plan to concentrate on crafts, culture, social and welfare work. They have started a newsletter called "The First American". Welcome and best wishes to this group.

FROM THE TLEP LES

CONGRATULATIONS

Mrs. Beatrice "Grandma" Black (Quinault) of Taholah, Washington, well-known for her basketmaking, has been awarded a citation "The Golden Mother Award" in connection with the 50th anniversary of the American Legion. This was in recognition and with sincere appreciation of outstanding services and assistance which have contributed to the advancement of the programs and activities dedicated to God and Country, of the American Legion Post - North Beach Post 193.

Thanksgiving holiday visitors were old friends Eleanor and John Paradis (Navajo) from Santa Fe, N.M. It was nice seeing them again.

A group of Campfire girls from Bellevue collected a car-load of clothing and toys which was delivered to Taholah, Wash., by Lydia and Bill Weidinger. The group was Ka-Ta-Ni-Ki. Mrs. Larry Frazier and Mrs. Gordon Black were in charge.

Robin Butterfield had the misfortune to sprain his ankle in starting the skiing season. Better luck next time.

Fred Paul (Tlingit) has been appointed the new Chairman of the Indian Center Operating Committee and Advisory Board. His alternate will be his wife, Gail. Outgoing Chairman, Mr. Jesse Epstein, will remain on the Board.

Meredith Mummy was very lucky -- she went to California to spend the holidays with her granddaughter Barbara, Capistrano Beach, and to see her sons and daughter in Santa Ana and San Francisco.

The Wednesday evening social held a welcome home party for Kenny Cavanaugh who has just safely returned from Vietnam. He is the son of Tillie Cavanaugh (Sioux).

Minnie Stevens brought her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. William Watson, Anchorage, to visit the Center on their way back north.

Christmas holiday visitors at the Zena and Roger DeLorm home were her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hogsed of Turner, Oregon.

Christmas greetings came from Lola and Sonny Buxton, now living in San Francisco. Sonny is now with KCBS and Lola is working with the San Francisco Bar Association. She says they are well and happy and love life in San Francisco.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Haynes, Point Pleasant, N.J., were holiday

visitors at the home of George and Mary Jo Butterfield.

Lilly Kauffman (Nez Perce), daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Kauffman, was married on Saturday, December 21, to Sylvester Sahme. A reception at the Indian Center followed the ceremony.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 5 - Sunday dinner 1-4 p.m. Everyone welcome. Adults \$1.25, children under 12 - 75¢.

9 - American Indian Women's Service League meeting at 7:30 - all members are urged to attend. Hostesses will be the Clallams.

10 - Operating Committee Noon meeting & lunch.

## SEATTLE WAR DANCE

The first Seattle War Dance meeting to plan for the 3rd Annual War Dance, was held at the Indian Center on November 7.

Present were: Bernie White Bear (Colville); John Amhoolah (Kiowa) who was appointed Program Coordinator; Lee Piper (Cherokee) Housing Chairman; Bud & Ruby Fields (Cherokee & Osage); Lottie Fenton (Yakima); Lillie Kauffman (Nez Perce); Ben Hicks (Nisqually); Minnie Smith and daughter Jenny; Alex Jackson (Tlingit); Jay and Alma Chastain (Lummi), Publicity Chairman.

There was much discussion regarding an All-Indian Events weekend. Events discussed were: parade, salmon bake, canoe races, teepee village, 8th Annual Indian Center Arts and Crafts exposition at the arean, and war dance competition.

Bud and Ruby Fields had much to say in favor of a teepee village, but the idea has been set aside for the present.

Much work must be done before next June. Much more help will be needed to make the war dance a success. We need chairmen for the following committees: fund raising, special events, scholarships, transportation. Volunteers are needed to work on the war dance magazine.

If you have time, talents or ideas to contribute and if you would enjoy working with our enthusiastic dedicated group, please call Alma Chastain at AT 4-8426.

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## CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

The annual Children's Christmas party, sponsored by the American Indian Women's Service League, was a successful event. Three hundred happy children came to join in the songs, dances and, most of all, to

meet and greet Santa Claus - Wilbur Betts, who has been our Santa Claus for several years. Master of Ceremonies was Bert Peters who, assisted by Lee Piper, also led in singing the carols. Sonny Ivers (Colville) entertained with his songs. The children were eager to let Santa know how "good" they had been and what they would like to find under the Christmas tree.

The Jay Chastain family, the Benally family, and Mrs. Peters were joined by many children in the Indian dancing. Mr. Peters sang for them.

Cookies and ice cream were served to the children. Coffee and cookies were served to the adults. As the children left, well filled Christmas stockings were given to each. These stockings were provided by many Girl Scout troops, Camp Fire Girls, Cub Scouts and church groups.

The volunteers deserve thanks for helping make the party run so smoothly. Thanks to Zena DeLorm, Lottie Fenton, Meredith Mummy, Adeline and Kim Garcia, Jean Hunt, Rita Jametski, Odelia Hunter, Bob Morris, Jim Morris, Joe Frank, Louis John, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Peters who came from Bremerton to help, Lee Piper, Sonny Ives, and Wilbur Betts.

Most of all, special thanks to Arden Farms for contributing the ice cream; Grandmas Cookies for cookies; St. James Cathedral for free use of their hall; Mrs. Donald Nothstein and her teenagers from Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Mercer Island, for their help and for providing a tree.

Marirose Morris (Sioux) is to be commended for heading the committee and getting everything done at no cost.

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CHRISTMAS REPORT - 1968

This Christmas was an extra busy time for the Indian Center and the members of the League who volunteered to help those less fortunate have a Merry Christmas. One hundred and three families in Seattle and King County and three other nearby areas were given food, toys and clothing. This was made possible by contributions from churches, church women's groups, Camp Fire Girls, Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts, individuals & Boeing Good Neighbor Fund.

Members of the League who volunteered their time from their busy holiday schedules were: Jo Kaufman; Adeline, Jerry, Jan and Kim Garcia; Diane Simpson; Virginia Lambert; Dicie and Ray Kauffman (unwilling volunteer); Rita Jametski; Lottie Fenton; Jane Souron; Modelle Mudd; Juanita Miller; Ida Dahl; Zena DeLorm; Roger DeLorm, Jr.; Bert Peters; Joycelle Smythe; Joe Frank; Violet Shields and husband; Al Grant; and Dorothy Lombard. Mary Jo and Robin Butterfield and Joycelle Smythe worked on the toys. Helen and Ted White Eagle helped deliver some boxes, as did Alma Chastain. Jean Hunt chauffeured Adeline Garcia to pick up supplies.

The Indian Center appreciates the time and effort of everyone. We think this is one of the nicest Christmases ever -- due largely to the support of the community.

SOME INTERESTING SOURCES OF CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE INDIAN CENTER

Coming from overseas: Col. & Mrs. T. W. Schwellenback, USAF, U.S. Delegation to NATO in Belgium, sent money to wish us a Merry Christmas and the best for the New Year. The Des Moines Methodist Church Women held a rummage sale that enabled them to contribute \$209. and also select and bring a lot of

nice school clothes to the Center. A Cub Scout group collected their dimes and nickels and brought in \$5.75. Enclosed in 15 new wallets from a woman's club was a dollar for each teenage boy who received a wallet. One of the cutest letters came from Cheryle and Charlie Lane who thanked us for the Children's Christmas Party they enjoyed so much.

LETTER FROM A FRIEND - ADDRESSED TO THE INDIAN CENTER NEWS

Precious Jewel and Associates:

Dear Pearl:

Enclosed please find George's picture and the frame around it which is worth 100 cents to pay for the Newsletter.

The true value of your Newsletter cannot be measured in dollars and cents for it represents Indian thinking - present, past and future, a written communication, a news media.

Permit me to say that your Indian Center represents a "Break Through" to living the American way of life, a trial balloon for those of us who never had the privilege of living outside the Reservation.

The ultimate goal of Indian education for the American Indian is to enjoy all the privileges and assume the full responsibility of the American way of life.

A Merry Christmas to you,

Martin J. Sampson  
2339 Sherman St.  
Tacoma, Wash.  
(Swinomish Tribe)

P.S. Three of our Swinomish boys have broken through the College Education barrier -- Landy James, who graduated from Washington State, is a teacher. Ben Sampson,



University of Washington, electrical engineer; Ray Mitchell, Central Washington State College, teacher (Ben is Martin's son...)

Inter-Tribal Council of California, Inc. 1518 L Street - Sacramento, California 95814

Subject: Job openings in ITCC, Sacramento - Area Code 916- 444-0340

U.S. VISITORS TO CANADA

Pearl Warren and Modelle Mudd attended the Southern Vancouver Island Tribal Federal annual convention in Nanaimo, B.C. This was Modelle's second year as a visitor.

The two-day affair was host to dignitaries from Canada's I.A.B., Chiefs and Councils from many bands, as well as city officials.

Although the convention dealt with the more serious problems facing the Canadian Indian today, there was time for fun and laughter. After a delicious banquet of seafood, prepared by the Nanaimo ladies, Frank Ney, Mayor of Nanaimo, presented Ross Modeste of the Kokasila band, President of the Federation, Philip Paul, Saanish, Chairman of the Convention, Pearl Warren and Modelle Mudd with the traditional Nanaimo "straw" hat and named them "grand governors and governesses of the Royal Nanaimo Bathtub Society". They were told that they will be expected to enter the annual race in a bathtub from Nanaimo to Vancouver, B.C. All friends are invited to join.

The evening's entertainment was highlighted by the performance of Abel Joe's Tsinqua dancers from Duncan, B.C.

New Years Callers: Mr. and Mrs. Duane Thorson - 13010 N. E. 87th Kirland, Wa. ---- Mr. and Mrs. R.C. Merriwether 6505 - 108th NE Kirland----- Major and Mrs. Fred A. Haynes - 1833 - 171st Pl. NE Bellevue

Selection is expected in January.

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Director of Northern Resources- Salary \$9250 per annum-A major in economics or business administration. Experience in economics and industry. Administrative experience relating to government agencies.

We would like to thank the following for sending greetings from so far away: To Ray Solis now in Vietnam who always thinks of us-- To Major Charles Hall in Korea-- to Ralph Butterfield who sent in \$2 for the Indian Center News.

NEW YEARS CALLERS OF SEATTLE

Sunday, January 5, 1969 hospitality by and for people of many faiths and races is offered for an afternoon. Two to five o'clock.

At Home: Mr. & Mrs. Lindsay Macklin 2215 East Aloha

Miss Winifred E. Weter - 4415 -54 N.E.

Mr. & Mrs. David H. Guren - 3622 E. Terrace

Mr. & Mrs. Hayden E. Hall Jr. 1614 35th Ave.

NA-NEH-PUSH

One time Nanepush called all of the animals together to get their new winter coats.

Everyone came except Moose, who was very greedy. He decided to stay behind while the others were gone and eat all of the food. When the animals came to Na-neh-push he gave them beautiful coats.

The rabbit got a nice fluffy white coat. Beaver received a rich smooth brown coat. Bear got a fuzzy warm black coat and Squirrel received a reddish colored coat.

Finally, when Moose showed up, there was only one coat left. Moose tried the coat on and it was too big around the neck, but since it was the only coat left, he had to take it. And that is why to this day Moose's coat is real loose around the neck.

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Told by Millie Anderson (Cree)  
to Modelle Mudd.

Milly Anderson, Box 6, Camp Shilo,  
Manitoba, Canada

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