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AMERICAN INDIAN DAY RESOLUTION LONG
FORTHOTTEN - Muriel Little (Reprinted
from the Outlook)

It's been there a long time, House Concurrent Resolution 22, lying dormant and forgotten by the citizens of Washington since it was adopted by the House of Representatives and the State Senate of the 16th session of the Washington Legislature some 51 years ago!

32nd District Democratic Senator Pete Francis, actively concerned with the problems of the American Indians, and particularly the needs of the Indians of Washington State, found the resolution in the musty books of the Laws of Washington, 1919.

House Concurrent Resolution, Laws of Washington, 1919, reads:

Whereas, Many thousand American Indians, resident in the State of Washington and elsewhere throughout the United States, wish to save from oblivion the record of the glory and shadows of their race, and the heroic struggle for the preservation of homes and families against forces which they had not means of measuring; and earnestly desire now to move forward and acquire all those things that make races and nations more efficient and noble; to reach out for a larger life, thru brotherly love, pur-

poseful action, and constructive service to our common country; Whereas, They avow their hopes and destinies to be inseparably united with those of the people of the United States of America, and with hearts and minds forever loyal to their mother country would serve in their fullest capacity as men and Americans, having as proof of such loyalty sent 9,000 of their sons to serve in the war with Germany, contributed \$2 million to the Red Cross, and invested \$50 million in Liberty bonds; and feel that they have established their right to call upon the people of this nation to consider their early philosophy, their love of freedom, their social institutions and their history in the full light of trust and the balance of justice in honest comparison with the annals of other races, that there may be gleaned there from those trials of nobility which they believe worthy of emulation;

Whereas, this purpose will be furthered by the observance of one day in the year by all the citizens of the State of Washington; and

Whereas, The most appropriate season for such observance is that period of Indian summer known in the Indian calendar as the "Hunting Moon" when spring and summer have perfected the year with flowers, fruit and vegetation - the Corn Festival and Great Council Ceremony for all the tribes; now

therefore,

PRESS RELEASES FROM THE PUYALLUP
ENCAMPMENT

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the Legislature of the State of Washington, the Senate concurring, that the fourth Saturday of September be nominated "American Indian Day" and on that day the people of the state are recommended to meet together and, thru fitting programs, consider the mutual interests, friendship and destiny of the white and red races." Adopted by the Senate, March 12, 1919.

Saturday, September 26 was American Indian Day this year and Senator Francis said "The real value of such a day is to help remind us of the many contributions of the American Indians, and their present place in society - like House Concurrent Resolution 22, they have been forgotten too long".

An additional comment upon the text of the above Resolution by Mrs. Pearl Warren, director of the Indian Center, who comments, that in 1919 when the resolution was passed Indians could not vote, nor were they subject to service in the armed forces - so that the 9,000 men mentioned in the resolution were volunteers. It was not until 1924 that a blanket measure was adopted by Congress giving the Indians the status of citizens.

"We won't forget the fourth Saturday of September, next year," she promised.

Mrs. Warren also said that few if any Indians knew about this resolution and that every time we wanted an Indian Day we had to go to the Governor or Mayor and request their approval.

The Puyallup Indian encampment was located on federal trust land held by the United States Government for the use of the Puyallup tribe. The trust status of this land removes it from state regulatory jurisdiction for lesser offenses which include commercial fishing. As such, the Tacoma police and Departments of Fisheries and Game had no jurisdiction to come upon this land. By coming upon this land they created the confrontation which the Indians had been striving to avoid.

The Puyallup Indians' treaty rights are guaranteed by the Treaty of Medicine Creek which is ratified by the United States Congress.

(Press release from Survival of American Indians press conference, held at the Seattle Indian Center.)

Ronald Hendry, Pierce County Prosecutor, has filed charges against all 46 adults arrested at the Indian encampment. 28 persons were charged with from one to four counts of felony violations. The remainder were charged with misdemeanors. The juveniles are being held pending disposition.

It should be emphasized that the County Prosecutor has embarked on
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a course of action designed to insure that every leader of the Puyallup fishing rights struggle has been laden with oppressive and unfounded charges. Approximately 25 persons are still in jail under heavy bail ranging up to \$10,000. Cumulatively there was upward of \$100,000 of bail levied on persons arrested. (Since this release was received all have been released on bail)

The Tacoma police and the Board of Health are now bulldozing and burning property on the Indian land. A suit on behalf of the Puyallup Indians to enjoin this action and asking for \$20,000 damages for property destroyed was filed in the Superior Court in Tacoma. Further law suits by the Indians are being prepared against the Tacoma police and the Departments of Fisheries and Game for violation of several rights and for criminal trespass.

The Tribal Council, composed of Don Matheson, Silas Cross, Alice Buber, Maiselle Bridges and Ramona Bennett are the only persons authorized to speak in behalf of the Puyallup Indians.

JUSTICE DEPARTMENT FILES INDIAN FISHING RIGHTS CASE

(Press Release from the Department of the Interior, Sept. 22)

A suit in behalf of treaty fishing rights of Indian tribes in the State of Washington has been filed by the Department of Justice at the request of the Department of the Interior. The suit is similar to one filed two years ago in Oregon. (Continued on Page 4)

- 4: Sunday dinner - 1 to 4 p.m. (Open to public)
- 4: Clallam Longhouse Dedication Port Angeles, Wa.
- 5, 12, 19, 26: GED Classes, 7 to 10 p.m.
- 8: American Indian Womens' Service League Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- 9: Operating committee meets at noon - Sack lunch
- 10: Colville Meeting, 1 p.m.
- 18 to 24: NCAI Convention, Anchorage, Alaska.
- 24: Alaska Federation of Natives Meeting, 1:30 p.m.

NOVEMBER

- 7: Spaghetti dinner at Champion Hall, Seattle Univ., 919 James Adult donation: \$2.00 Children: 1.00 Time: 4 to 7 p.m. Sponsored by Education Comm. of American Indian Womens' Service League, Inc. to benefit scholarship fund for Indians.
- 8:
- 12: Service League Meeting 7:30 p.m.

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In announcing the filing, Secretary of the Interior Walter J. Hickel said, "The decision in the Oregon case has done much to clarify Indian fishing rights on the Columbia River. We hope this suit will have the same effect on fishing rights in the Puget Sound and Olympic Peninsula areas of the State of Washington".

Representatives of the Interior Department and of Washington Indian tribes have been meeting with the Washington State Department of Fisheries and with Washington State Governor Dan Evans and his staff in an effort to work out terms for state recognition of Indian treaty rights. But it became evident that differences of opinion over the extent of the Indians' rights remained, Secretary Hickel said.

"We therefore asked the Department of Justice last spring to prepare a case to submit to the Federal Court," he added. "Our two Departments have worked closely in developing the case, which was filed on September 18."

The action is brought on behalf of seven tribes that represent all treaty tribes in Western Washington that were parties to five treaties negotiated by Oregon Territorial Governor Isaac Stevens in 1854-56. Those tribes are: Puyallup, Nisqually, Skokomish, Makah, Quileute, Hoh and Muckleshoot. The court's ruling should affect the fishing rights of all tribes that are parties to those treaties.

The LEGEND book "Indian Legends" is now for sale at the Indian Center. It may only be purchased there.

At the September meeting of the American Indian Womens' Service League Inc. election of president and treasurer was held.

Joyce Reyes was elected president to serve for two years as leader of the League. Joyce is married to Lawney Reyes, well-known Colville artist and designer, and has two children. She has been a member of the League since the club was started - a charter member, and we all look forward to some good leadership. Joyce will have an article in the November issue on committee appointments and plans for the coming term of office. She is a member of the Warm Springs tribe.

Julie Johnson was elected treasurer for two years and will be in charge of our financial resources. She is married to Ron Johnson and has two children.

THANK YOU go at this time to our out-going president, Lee Piper. We hope she will continue to lend her support.

And another THANK YOU to Adeline Garcia whose job as treasurer was a busy one. It takes a lot of time and energy to keep the books in proper order.

WELL-DONE TO BOTH OF YOU.

Herman Williams is employed as Minority Group Socialist with the Washington State Employment Service. His job is to find out the problems of our people (any minority) in employment or in training programs supported by the Federal Government.

NEH PROJECT ENDS WITH POSITIVE ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN LAW AND EDUCATION

The books have been closed on Seattle Indian Center's year-long "Self-Help Project for Pacific Northwest Indian," funded by a \$12,000 federal grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities. The final report has been sent to Washington, D.C., and complete financial records are available on request by any League member.

Most recent activity has been purchase of 250 copies (at the retail price, \$3 each) of the recently printed, 32-page illustrated book of Indian Legends, sponsored by the American Indian Womens' Service League, Inc. The copies are going into regional distribution with emphasis on schools, colleges and libraries.

Credit was given NEH for helping issue a 24-page booklet of POETRY BY AMERICAN INDIANS (our contribution was \$16.50 - half the cost of resetting, in larger type, 37 poems which had appeared in Argus magazine over the past three years). Through the interest of Dorothee Brown, director of publications, and Louis K. Bruno, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, 1,000 copies were made by the State Printer, of which 150 have gone to the State Capitol Library for distribution to branches. School districts may request copies directly from Mr. Bruno or Dorothee Brown, P.O. Box 527, Olympia, Wa. 98501.

Legal activities under the direction of Gary F. Bass (Colville), Seattle attorney, moved to a novel direction with appointment of another Seattle attorney, Lowell K. Halverson (Thlingit) as "roving legal counselor" for a six-week tour, each Thursday, to

three places: the Seattle Indian Center, First Avenue Service Center and Kinatéchitapi Indian and Alaska Native Services.

Mr. Halverson's six-page report (plus three pages of case-studies) makes a strong recommendation for training paraprofessionals in the law (as in education), alert, sensitive, knowledgeable people with knowledge of the law but without a law degree, who could interview clients and make referrals. As summarized in a statement by Mr. Halverson to Mayor Wes C. Uhlman, "the urban Native Americans of Seattle have a deep-rooted, almost traditionalized, distrust of governmental agencies, whether Federal, State or local...he seems alienated, appears confused and uninformed about his legal rights and is being deprived of these rights every day...I noted many, many instances of Native clients who refuse or failed to contact available government agencies about their problems, but nonetheless would come to one of the Indian Centers for consultation.... those who know (their rights) are afraid to exercise their rights for fear that things will go hard for them with the authorities. In the private sector of law they are not aware of their rights in incidents of racial discrimination, wrongful garnishments, wrongful eviction or even their rights to public assistance."

Copies of Mr. Halverson's report have been requested by the Washington State Bar Association and by Ed Wood, legal counsel for the American Civil Liberties Union of Washington.

Another windup activity of the legal sector was a second 1,000 printing of the five booklets on LEGAL RIGHTS OF AMERICAN INDIANS (Racial

Discrimination, Landlord and Tenant, Juveniles and the Law, Garnishment and Consumer Credit, and Public Assistance). This means that 4,000 copies will have been distributed regionally - including 100 of each sent by request, to the Bureau of Indian Affairs in Juneau.

As with most federal grants, recipients are under implied obligation to try for continued funding at the local level. The needs are great in both fields covered by the NEH grant, education and the law.

As to the former, funds are being sought to get into print the manuscript on Indian history written for NEH by one of our education aides, Joan LaFrance Lupson (Chippewa), titled THE UNWRITTEN CHAPTERS. Special illustrations were made here this summer by a student from Santa Fe Institute of American Indian Arts, Glen LaFontaine (Cree) before he went East to accept a scholarship at Rhode Island School of Design.

It is interesting that two persons in the Education section of the grant have moved into the teaching field: Lee Piper (E. Cherokee), AIWSL Past-president, will give a non-credit course at Tacoma Community College Wednesday evenings starting October 14, The American Indian: Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow. And Jeanne Halliday, education aide, is assistant director (with John Emhoola Jr.) for Seattle Public Schools' Indian Heritage project funded by State URRD money.

Maxine Cushing Gray
Program Coordinator, NEH
Project of AIWSL.

1. Identify potential or actual high school drop-outs and those youth of financial or cultural need who have an exceptional potential for post-secondary educational training and encourage them to complete secondary school and undertake post-secondary training.

2. Encourage college or vocational school drop-outs of demonstrated ability to re-enter educational programs.

3. Provide extensive specific information on financial aid and educational opportunities and assist students in exploring their options and developing realistic plans

4. Provide assistance with the mechanics of application and admission procedures.

5. Make known to admissions and financial aids officers the special needs of our young people and actively recruit for colleges, universities, vocational schools, and Washington State Upward Bound programs.

6. Seek tutorial help, admission to remedial programs, medical assistance, funds for application or test fees, etc.

7. Sponsor pre-college conferences for Indian students.

8. Act as liason between school personnel and Indian communities and promote parental involvement in school affairs.

9. Solicit and provide funds to be used as emergency grants for those students who may be forced to drop (Continued on page 8)

FROM THE TEEPEES

Roger and Zena DeLorm enjoyed a two week visit in the East. They flew to Washington, D.C. where they spent 3 days. Roger's parents are buried in Arlington National Cemetery and they visited the sight.

Stops were made in Linwood, N.J., Philadelphia, Valley Forge, Annapolis, Boston, Concord, New Hampshire, and New York, flying home from there. Everything was wonderful including the weather. Roger had the pleasure of visiting an old army buddy whom he had not seen for 26 years and Zena enjoyed visiting with an old classmate (Chemawa) Margaret Arcasa Casey.

Wilbur Betts attended his college reunion in Illinois, his 35th - going by train.

During their vacation Jerry, Adeline and Kim Garcia flew to Alaska for a week's visit. Virginia Lambert also spent her vacation in Alaska.

Pearl Warren spent a week in Washington D.C. on business.

Betty Seiber has returned from Chicago where she visited her daughter Lulu Taylor and family and welcomed a new baby grandson born on September 5, weight, 6 pounds, and they named him Marc. He joins a sister, Theresa.

SPECIAL INFORMATION

The Indian Clinic at the Public Health Hospital - 2nd Floor, announces Dr. Donald Smith, Gynecologist and Obstetrics, will be at the

clinic the 2nd Wednesday of every month specializing in pre-natal care Hours, 6 to 9 p.m. The clinic hours open to all Indians, Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 6 to 9 p.m.

PART TIME JOB OFFERED

The Indian Center has a part-time job open to anyone interested in working three days a week as a receptionist. See Director Pearl Warren for more information. (Must be able to type.)

IMPORTANT

The parents of Adrian Claire Warbus of the Lummi Reservation need any information on the whereabouts of their daughter. She is

19 years old, 5 feet, three inches, dark hair and wears a dark rimmed eye glasses, usually by the name of Claire.

If anyone has any information at all please call:

Mr. Murdock, 583 7573 (days)
583 4662 (nights)

or Claire's parents in Marietta
733 3123

Our appeal for good school clothes was very successful. Probably the one who qualifies as coming from the farthest was Mrs. Harvey F. Dyer of Norwood, Massachusetts who mailed a package of good clothes after reading our appeal in the Indian Center News. We appreciate the support of all who contributed.

out from school because of lack of finances.

10. Help Indian students develop or maintain a positive self-image and raise their levels of aspiration.

11. Maintain contact with all target students and assist them in avoiding or alleviating personal, academic, or financial difficulties.

We work very closely with the American Indian Heritage program which services some 8 Seattle elementary schools.

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At a meeting September 28 the following officers were elected at Kenatchitapi:

President: Blair Paul
Vice-President: Serena Antioquia
Secretary: Frances Svensson
Treasurer: Mabel Norris

Board members: Gary Bass, Gary Beaver, Vernon Big Beaver, Larry Jordan, Joanne Kauffman and Victor Milton.

There will be 15 members on the board. The other 5 will be elected at the next meeting.

Acting director: Suzie Pittman

AMERICAN INDIAN ARTS AND HERITAGE

Office is located at the Georgetown Elementary School, 730 S. Homer St. Seattle, Wa. 98108, Phone, RO 2 3050.

Program manager: John Emhoolah, J
Program Aide: Jeanne Halliday
Teacher Aide: Rosanne Pennington,
Phil George
Counselor Aides: Julie Johnson
Mary Jo Butterfield

This program serves the following schools: Adams, Greenwood, West Woodland, Georgetown, High Point, Hughes, Cooper and Fairmount.

The American Indian Heritage Program is available to these schools and include (1) classes in Indian Heritage, (2) counseling and (3) tutoring when needed.

Qualified Indian instructors will teach these classes and special Indian artists, craftsmen, story tellers will visit the heritage
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classes as often as possible.

Mr. Emhoolah said that these classes are offered to children of Indian ancestry to give them more opportunity to learn about themselves and about authentic Indian culture.

MEMBERSHIP AIWSL

Membership plays a big role in any organization so we hope a lot of new members will join and support the efforts of the American Indian Women's Service League and assist in the many programs they have going.

Dues are payable now and are \$1. This also entitles you to the Indian Center News for one year.

Please send in your dollar, with name, address and zip code.

MORE FROM THE TEEPEES

CLOTHING DRIVE

Mrs. James Ledbetter of Port Angeles and a member of the 1st Baptist Church there, spearheaded a drive for school clothes after reading of the need and as a result a vanload of clothes arrived for distribution in this area.

A call from Enumclaw from a lady who says she has the whole town working on getting clothes.

Plymouth Congregational Youth Group has been very busy collecting lots of clothing. This same group also took 10 Indian children on a Sunday outing to visit the waterfront aquarium.

Earl George just returned from a week's vacation in California, going as far as San Diego before returning home.

We have only a few cookbooks left at the Center. We are in the process of revising this cookbook so if any one of you men or women would like to send in your favorite recipe to the Indian Center we have started compiling our new cookbook. We especially invite all members, both past and present to submit their favorite recipe.

INDIAN CENTER NEWS

Contributions for From the Teepees and other news about Indian activities and programs are welcomed by the Indian Center News.

Please submit your material to
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EDUCATION COMMITTEE - SEPTEMBER

We had two meetings in September to meet with Mr. Pete Antoncich and Luigi Waters to plan our Spaghetti Dinner for November 7 at Campion Hall, Seattle University. We will start serving the first group at 4 p.m. and hope for Indian entertainment after each serving. We hope to see you all out to help us raise funds for Indian students and vocational studies. We will serve Spaghetti, salad, garlic bread, desserts, coffee and punch. A don-

ation of \$2.00 for adults and \$1.00 for children will be charged.

The GED classes started September 28 and we have 12 students registered and in need of volunteer tutors. Classes meet from 7 to 10 p.m. Mondays at the Indian Center and from 7 to 10 p.m. Tuesdays at High Point.

SEATTLE CENTER TOTEM DEDICATED

A 30 foot Totem pole, carved from Western Red Cedar from the Snoqualmie National Forest, was dedicated at the Seattle Center, at noon on Saturday, October 3.

The pole was conceived, designed and carved by Duane Pasco of Seattle, assisted by Victor Mowatt and Earl Muldon of Old Hazelton, B.C.

This was the first in a series of totems and artifacts to be added to the grounds of the Seattle Center as a tribute to the Indian tribes of the Pacific Northwest.

Many League members and other spectators attended the ceremony which featured members of the Lummi, Makah and Clayoquot tribes in their tribal attire and dances. Participants included Raynette Morris (Lummi), Miss Indian Center, Joe Washington (Lummi) speaker, Larry Washington (Lummi), Ruth Johnson (Makah, Odeléa Hunter (Clayoquot), Joy Smythe and Dicie Kauffman (Makah. Three generations of Kummis participated in an A-sayah thank you song dedicated to the Seattle Indian Center. They were Larry Washington and his son who danced while Joe Washington sang the special number. Other members of the group did special numbers and Mary Jo Butterfield led a round dance that included audience participation.

- September
- 1 Meeting with Gypsy group
 - Waterfront Task Force
 - 4 King County Comprehensive Health Executive Committee
 - 9 Franklin High School
 - Jefferson House Board Meeting
 - Model Cities Advisory Council
 - 10 American Indian Womens' Service League Meeting
 - 11 Indian Center Operating Comm. Meeting
 - 14 King County Comprehensive Health Planning
 - 15 King County Medical Society Indian Health problems
 - Waterfront Task Force
 - 16 UGN Executives
 - 18 Employment Securities Division Herman Williams
 - 19 Flew to Washington, D. C., spent Sunday with my son and his family, Monday made appointments
 - 22 Bayard Clark - Adult Education
 - Dave Johnson - Talent Search
 - Dr. Halstrom - Upward Bound
 - Professor Herbert Miller - Institute of Criminal Law
 - 23 Herman Narcho, Indian Desk, Department of Labor
 - Ernie Stevens, BIA Community Service
 - B. J. Stiles, Kennedy Memorial Foundation
 - Bill Miller, Indian O.E.O.
 - Spent evening with Jean Hunt Bluestone
 - 24 Talent Search Mtg.
 - NCAI Meeting
 - 5 p.m. - left for Seattle
 - 25 Economic Development Administration
 - Human Rights Commission for Catholic Archdiocese
 - 28 Introduction meeting for UGN Agency presidents
 - 29 Ballard High Sophmores
 - 30 Bellevue Junior High School
