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LOUIS BRUCE NOMINATED AS COMMISSIONER OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

Secretary of the Interior Walter J. Hickel, on behalf of President Nixon has nominated Louis R. Bruce, 63, of Richfield Springs, New York, as Commissioner of Indian Affairs.

Bruce served as special assistant commissioner for cooperative housing with the Federal Housing Administration until becoming executive director for the Zeta Psi Foundation and Fraternity in 1966.

Early in his career he was New York State director for Indian projects with the National Youth Administration. He has served as public relations and promotions director of Mid-Eastern Cooperatives; community relations consultant with the New York State Housing Division; vice president of the Compton Advertising Agency of New York; and as a member of the Board of Directors of the Dairymen's League Cooperative Association of New York.

He owns and until recently, operated a 600-acre dairy farm in Richfield Springs.

His father, Dr. Louis Bruce, a Mohawk Indian, was until his death last year a leader in working for a better life for the Indian People. Mr. Bruce's mother was an Oglala Sioux of the Pine Ridge Reservation of South Dakota.

Bruce was born on the Onondaga Indian Reservation in New York and grew up on the State's St. Regis Mohawk Reservation. He is a graduate of Cazenovia Seminary and Syracuse University. He has received a number of awards including the American Indian Achievement Award and the Freedoms Award, presented by President Eisenhower for "outstanding contributions in promoting the American way of life."

A member of the Association of Indian Affairs, the Indian Council Fire of Chicago, and the National Congress of American Indians, he has served as executive secretary of the National Congress of American Indians.

He is married to the former Anna Jennings Wikoff. They have three children and five grandchildren.

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FULL STATEMENT OF LOUIS R. BRUCE,  
NEW COMMISSIONER OF BIA BEFORE  
CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE

Mr. Chairman and members of the Committee, I appreciate the opportunity to present this statement in behalf of my nomination for Commissioner of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior.

This post, in my view, offers to any nominee one of the most exciting and challenging public service assignments in our Government today. Not many appointments in

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the Administration embrace the breadth of responsibilities as that of the Commissioner's office. These myriad responsibilities include the full development of the human and natural resource potential of Indian people; and an opportunity to mobilize an array of new-found public and private aids heretofore unavailable to Indians. And perhaps even more important than the programmatic and financial support to be found in the field today is the opportunity to capitalize on the readiness and willingness of the Indians themselves to become full participants in our efforts to improve their well-being.

The massiveness of the problem, of course, cannot be understated and is well illustrated by the following social indicators:

--Indian infant death rates have declined 41 percent since 1955. Yet, the Indian rate of 40 per 1,000 live births is still 12 points above the national average.

--Indian life expectancy has risen from 62.5 years to 63.9 years since 1960. Yet, it is still over 6 years under the life expectancy for Americans as a whole.

--Indians are attending school in ever increasing numbers. Yet, nearly 60 percent have less than an eighth grade education, and the dropout rate is 50 percent.

--Over 150 industries have been encouraged to expand into Indian communities. Yet, the unemployment rate is almost 40 percent - ten times the national rate.

Considerable progress has been made in helping Indians overcome their

basic health, education, and social problems. However, these stark facts underscore the need for a more aggressive Federal-Indian approach to alleviate these conditions.

We have during the past decade given firm reality to the fact that the Bureau as a single agency is incapable of meeting effectively the full range of problems manifested by the Indians. As a result of landmark legislation enacted by Congress in recent years, many new social and economic development programs have been established to assist the disadvantaged of the Nation. Fortunately, Indians are deriving benefits from these programs, not so much on the basis of their being Indians, but more on the basis of their being people in need who by most standards qualify for such programs.

As a result of these developments, our government's posture towards Indians has shifted dramatically from a single agency involvement in the Indian field by the Bureau to a multi-agency involvement, including most of the major departments and agencies in the Executive Branch. This infusion of new funds and service in the field, while not solving all problems, has contributed to more meaningful and comfortable lives for thousands of Indians.

During the same period it seems to me that the Bureau of Indian Affairs' role has also undergone a significant change. While it continues to administer the trust responsibility over Indian lands and resources and provides selected community services, its public image has suffered severely. In light of history and circumstances, the Bureau has been a highly visible agency. It has been attacked and criticized by many for its

seeming inability to really "come to grips" with the so-called Indian problem.

While I would be the first to concede that the Bureau is plagued by shortcomings, I would further submit that many of these criticisms are unwarranted. The unfortunate effect of these criticisms has been to hold the Bureau responsible for many complex problems that are far beyond the reach of its basic authorities and financial resources. Many of these problems, as previously noted, are gradually diminishing through authorities, programs and resources of other departments and agencies of government - a process that must be accelerated and refined.

It is from this background that I propose to pursue a program and actions during my tenure as Commissioner of Indian Affairs. My predecessors have done a fine job of creating a climate for change and for greater participation by American Indians in the affairs of their communities.

The main goal of the Bureau of Indian Affairs under my administration will be to actively encourage, allow, and train Indian people to manage their own affairs under the trust relationship, and to make the Bureau more responsive to Indian needs. In order to do this, I intend to examine, redefine, and request from the Congress necessary authorities and clarification to make this possible.

We must introduce sound public administration concepts and modern management practices to the Bureau, such as, for example, systems analysis and cybernetic concepts to improve program and financial evaluations. Concomitantly, we must review and redefine personnel

functions and tailor them to meet this goal. A critical review of existing staff must be undertaken to determine the changes required. Through this process, the Bureau will operate within a framework of 20th Century public administration and management principles.

I recognize that there are a number of critical unresolved issues which might require legislation or high level executive decisions.

However, because of the complex nature of these issues, I want to draw upon some of the best Indian and non-Indian minds in and outside of Government in developing alternative approaches for solving these problems. These individuals will be invited to serve on several working task forces and assist me with this undertaking.

Specifically, the following issues will be examined by these task forces:

- I. To restructure Bureau headquarters, area and local offices by functional redefinition and reorientation of staff, thereby maximizing performance to induce more response and flexibility into the system. The paramount objective in this study will be to restructure the Bureau to become more responsive to Indian needs.
  - a. To thoroughly study the Federal Trust Relationship including ways to better protect the natural resources, water rights, and trust land of the Indian people.
  - b. To develop an accurate portrayal of American Indians, their progress and problems for the Department, the Bureau of the Budget, the Congress, and the American public.

c. To strengthen further lines of communications between tribal, State, and local governments in order to optimize the array of programs and services now available to Indian citizens through the major Departments and agencies of our Government.

II. To undertake an impartial look at the Bureau boarding schools in terms of the quality of education given to Indian young people, the teachers and staff of these schools, and the alternatives available to Indians for gaining control of such schools.

III. To facilitate the involvement of young Indian people in American Indian affairs, to open up career horizons throughout the Government, and to help narrow the generation gap in Indian communities. I am impressed with the calibre and quality of our young Indian men and women and their desire to make meaningful contributions to their communities and fellow tribal members, and the Nation.

IV. To identify ways to strengthen the role and authorities of tribal governments and indicate the type of training needed to enhance the effectiveness of tribal and community leaders.

This would permit the formulation of alternative solutions from which I might select those proposals which offer optimum solutions for the problems at hand.

I have chosen not to discuss in detail, other than through a new look at the trust relationship, the question of termination. It is my hope that our new efforts would be the catalyst which would cause the dynamic development of the Indian people and their communities so that they will no longer be viewed as representing a "unique problem" and their social development will no longer indicate that they are among the disadvantaged but are actively seeking to be the achieving citizens of our Nation.

I harbor no illusions about solving all the problems of the American Indian, but what I hope to achieve or be an influence on is bringing the Bureau into a proper perspective so that through an organizational restructuring it will become a dynamic and flexible organ responsive to the needs of the Indians, within the legal authority and financial resources.

Although I shall direct my efforts to seek a more efficient allocation of all resources, social and economic, now available to the Indian people, my primary thrust will be to help my people help themselves.

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The above issues are illustrative, not exhaustive, of the kinds of areas that I believe warrant close attention, to arrive at forward-looking solutions.

I do not propose task forces of long duration to look at these issues. I would hope that an intensive review could be made within the first

The Indian Center News seldom reprints any material in such detail as the foregoing statement by the new Commissioner of Indian Affairs. However, because of the wide interest of Indian people in this appointment, the editors thought it appropriate to print the entire text of his message.

WITH THE DIRECTOR

(Because of the involvement of the Seattle Indian Center in Indian Progress in our local community, the State and nationally, Pearl Warren, executive director of the Center and other members of the A.I.W.S.L. spend much of their time speaking and participating in community and American Indian oriented projects, we are introducing this column to follow these activities.)

- May 5 - Talk to Mountlake Terrace High School Seniors. Education Comm., A.I.W.S.L.
- May 6 - Model Cities Mtg.
- May 8 - A.I.W.S.L. Annual Meeting and dinner. Took car load of students to Seabeck conference. After night at Little Boston, helped open Conference for Indian students from reservations and cities. Picked up Dr. Tom Billings, speaker and took to Seabeck.
- May 12 -Talk on Indian Center and Indian culture at Shoreline High School.
- May 13 -Talk on N. W. Indians and current problems at Garfield High School.
- May 14 -O'Brien School, Kent. Jefferson House Board Mtg. Speaker, Our Lady of Guadalupe.
- May 16 -Berkeley, Calif. for conference of Upward Bound Directors.
- May 19 - Indian Center Advisory Board luncheon at Center.
- May 20 -C.O.P.A. at Edgewater Inn
- May 21 -A.F.S.C. Indian education committee.
- May 22 -Sammamish High School speaker.
- May 23 -Rich Whitman School
- May 24 -Hoh River as Observer at Constitutional election.
- May 26 -Mtg. at home of Mrs. Tongue,
- May 26 - Mental Health Advisory Bd.
- May 29 - Ingraham High School  
Queen Ann High School
- June 3 - Seattle Model Cities Mtg.
- June 4 - Richmond Beach to pick up items for clothing program.
- June 5 - Ivanhoe Elem. Sch. -3 grde.
- June 10- Jefferson House Bd. Mtg.
- June 11- Speaker, Mother-Daughter group - Bellevue.
- June 12- Windriver, Wyoming, for National Conference for Episcopal Church to advise on Indian programs. Decision to open an Indian desk.
- June 19- Indian banquet, Seattle Center.
- June 23- Washington Council of the National Council on Crime and Delinquency at Seattle University.
- June 24- UGN conference, Seattle Center
- June 26- Speaker, 180 Camp Fire Girls and 40 supervisors, crafts and culture.
- June 30- Seattle Community College class, on Indian Center.
- July 1 - Speech at Dominican House of Studies about Indian Center and general Indian questions.
- July 2 - King County Public Assistance Board.
- July 9 - Mtg. at Paul residence to discuss National Foundation Grant for education and law, program sponsored by Maxine Cushing Gray and A.I.W.S.L. Jefferson House Board Mtg.
- July 14 -A.I.W.S.L. planning mtg. for Alki Salmon Bake.
- July 16 -LaPush with Leo LeClaire to work on Education census.
- July 19 -Dinner honoring retiring Commissioner Bennett in Spokane.
- July 23 -Boulder, Colorado with Dorothy Lombard to attend American Indians United

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Board Meeting. Mrs. Warren elected to fill unfinished Vice-Presidential term.

Visited National Indian Youth Council-sponsored workshop.

- July 31 - Seattle Community College class on Indian problems.
- Aug. 3 - Salmon Bake, Alki
- Aug. 5 - Board Meeting, Detoxication, Alcohol and Drugs Center.
- Aug. 23 - Los Angeles, American Indians United Executive Board meeting and planning session for October convention.

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GRANT COMMITTEE SPONSORS LEGAL AND EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

Formation of a permanent Indian Education Advisory Council, to consist of persons of Indian blood who are teachers, counselor-aides, members of school boards or otherwise involved in education, hopefully will be one result of an invitational two-day Indian Education Conference for up to 45 persons, to be held Friday evening, Oct. 31, and all day Saturday, November 1, at the Hilton Inn, across from Sea-Tac International Airport. Lists of participants are now being compiled.

The conference will be sponsored and financed through the \$12,000 self-help demonstration grant in the fields of law and education awarded by the National Endowment for the Humanities (funded by Congress) to the Seattle Indian Center. Coordinator is Maxine Cushing Gray, AIWSL Associate Member, who is working with Frederick Paul, (Thlingit), chairman of the Center's

Operating Committee, Mrs. Lee Piper, president of the AIWSL, and the Indian Center staff, especially including Pearl Warren, director and Jean Hunt, education counselor.

Mrs. Piper (Cherokee) is director of the education part of the grant program and a Seattle attorney, Gary Bass (Colville) is head of the legal division.

Aides already appointed include Blair Paul (Thlingit), recently a law student at UW, to assist Mr. Bass with preparation of a booklet outlining common legal problems of urban Indians and ways to get help; and for the education aspect of the grant, Mrs. Jeanne Halliday (Warm Springs) and Mrs. Joyce Smythe (makah), who with Mrs. Lena Dunstan (Interior Salish, B. C.) are ready to accept invitations from public or parochial schools having Indian students which want assembly or school room "heritage" programs. All three were named by Mrs. Piper, as AIWSL president, to serve on the League's grant committee with herself and Mrs. Gray.

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Legal rights of Indians will be discussed over KRAB-FM at 8 p.m. Sunday, September 21, by a panel from the Indian Rights Committee of the American Civil Liberties Union of Washington. Chairman this year is Maxine Cushing Gray, AIWSL Associate Member.

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William R. Jeffries (Eastern Cherokee and Oglalla Sioux) has been appointed to the post of Special Assistant for Indian Affairs, by Governor Dan Evans. His office is State Office of Econ. Opportunity, Olympia.

FROM THE TEEPEES

91 Clallam students and their chaperones, from Port Angeles and Jamestown, were among the many who viewed the 3rd Annual War Dance.

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The American Indian Womens Service League hosted 23 Girl Scouts and leaders from Neah Bay, who came to Seattle to tour the city. Ice cream sundaes and pop were served to them by Marirose Morris Jeanne Halliday and Ramona Ben-net.

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George Effman, Assistant Director of American Indians, United, Chicago, spent two days observing the Seattle Indian Center programs.

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On jury duty this summer were Zena DeLorm and Diane Simpson.

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Jean Hunt and Florence Hall had a delightful 10 days vacationing in Hawaii.

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Arlene and Jim Lamanna took their vacation in California but really enjoyed Las Vegas more.

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WEDDINGS: (This news came in too late for the May issue.) Mr. and Mrs. Amos Whetung announce the wedding of their daughter Elizabeth to Nick Johnson on May 3 at the Glendale Lutheran Church. The newlyweds plan to live in Portland after he gets out of the service in October.

Randy Williams and Tryva Johnson were wed on June 14 at the Georgetown Presbyterian Church and are presently living in Seattle. He is the grandson of Ida and Edwin Dahl and she is the daughter of Mrs. Edith Johnson.

Arlene White, daughter of Mrs. Rita Jametski, was married on June 15 to Alan Palmer at the Burien Presbyterian Church. They also will live in Seattle.

Our hearty congratulations to all the new young-marrieds!

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HIGH SCHOOL GRADUAGES: Congratulations to these young adults who completed 12 years of school in June - Donna Butterfield who graduated from Roosevelt High School, and is now employed as a secretary for the National Bank of Commerce, main office. She is the daughter of Mary Jo and George. - Rita Linford graduated from Lincoln High School. She is the daughter of Dee Linford (Klamath) and intends to go on to college and wants to be a social

worker. - Larry White Eagle (Nez Perce), son of Ted and Helen, from Evergreen High School. He has moved back to his former home in Idaho to become a farmer. - also Chester LaFontaine, son of Buck and Judy LaFontaine, and Jennie Smith, daughter of Winnie Smith, are among those with fresh diplomas.

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VACATION NOTES: Myrtle and Alvin Solberg have returned from a leisurely tour during the past 6 mos. of North America, going south to California, via the southern rim of the United States, then north along the Eastern seaboard, and home through Canada. They enjoyed sightseeing this vast country, traveled and stopped whenever they found something of interest/ They report a lovely time but are happy to be back home.

WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT

9TH ANNUAL SALMON BAKE - On Aug. 3 we held our ninth annual Salmon Bake at Alki Point.

850 lbs. of fish were sold to a record crowd. Many waited in line for long periods of time to be served. We were completely sold out at the end of the day.

As President of the Service League I want to thank all those helping hands who worked so long and hard to make our salmon bake the success it was. I would like to thank each of you personally but the number is so great that we would run out of space, so I list all those I can remember and hope I don't miss any one. If I miss someone's name please excuse me and consider your services as greatly appreciated as all the others.

Thanks to all of you for a highly successful job well done.

Sincerely, Lee.

And here's the list of helpers: Wilbur Betts, Randy and Donna Butterfield, Raynette Morris, Bob Satiacum, Paul Johnson, Lena Dunstan, Julia Fisher, Myrtle Solberg, Rita Jametski, Jessie Krueger, Rena Abella, Adeline, Jerry and Kim Garcia, Lee Piper, Margaret Hanna, Steve Kush, Maurey Pease, Rueben Colby, Pearl Warren, Allegra Gardner, Mary Jo Butterfield, Roberta Maurey, Dorothy and Milton Lombard, Ida Dahl, Liz and Frank Saludo, Jane Souron, Gloria Huntington, Gail and Nina Paul, Helen White Eagle, Romona Bennett, Alama Danley,, Virginia Jarvis,

Drummers, dancers and singers who entertained at the Seafair activity were: Dale Running Bear, Marvin Stevens and Mark, Joe Costello,

Gus Kahclamat and daughter, Lottie, Girlie and children, Chris, Venice and Terri Chastain and Russell Fields. Miss Indian Center Kyona Tecumseh and Princesses Cheryl Parry and Yvonne Kauffman also entertained during the program.

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TO INTER-AMERICAN ENCAMPMENT

Jan Garcia, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Garcia, and a graduate of Ballard High School, was selected to attend the Inter-American Encampment for Citizenship held this summer at Luquillo, Puerto Rico. The encampment is to help outstanding young men and women of all backgrounds and nationalities prepare for leadership in public affairs.

The encampment was from June 25 to August 5. Jan's award took care of all expenses at the encampment as well as travel to and from the big international conference.

Jan attended West Woodland grade school and James Monroe Junior High as well as Ballard High School, and is now a senior at the University of Washington. At Ballard she was active in Future Teachers of America, and plans to teach when she graduates from the Univ. of Washington. Her major is History.

Jan's father and mother were married 21 years ago when he got out of the service and they have lived in Ballard since then.

Mrs. Garcia is an Alaska Indian and Jerry is of Mexican-American heritage, so Jan took an interesting family story of her own to the Inter-American meet.

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EDITORIAL

NEW HOPE FOR "LONG HOUSE"

Mrs. Frederick (Mia) Mann is a lady of special talent - not the least of which is persistence. to the settlers so many years ago of special talent - not the least of may be returned to us for a project which is persistence.

Members of the AIWSL and other organizations connected with the Indian Center know that the Indian Center has long and patiently looked forward to a day when we would have a proper building - one of our own - one that not only would house our many services and activities adequately - but, would also be an artistic tribute to the "real" Indians in this area - an authentic "long House".

Mia Mann entered the picture about a year and a half ago, a lady who came to see Pearl Warren with an unusual request, 'Let me see what I can do to help you GET your land!'

Since that time Mia has been working for us and with all of the city departments concerned with land use and planning to find us a piece of land available by lease or gift upon which we can build our long-sought "Long House".

This month, with tentative plans drawn by Architect Paul Thiry, and after many hours of talking to people in all city planning agencies, Mia took our proposals formally to the Seattle Park Board. The Park Board, members of the City Council and the Mayors office are now considering the possibility of our building a multi-use "Long House" - one that will combine the business and social life of the Indians with the recreational, educational and tourist attraction requirements of the city - IN THE PARK PRESENTLY PROJECTED FOR THE SOUTH END OF LAKE UNION.

While no decision has yet been made we are encouraged by Mia's efforts to hope that some of the land given that can only be a tremendous addition to both the City of Seattle and to its relations with its Indian residents and visitors.

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INDIAN CENTER ARTIST FEATURED

Abner Johnson (Tlingit) was one of the local artists featured in "Artists in Action" at the 23rd Annual Pacific Northwest Arts and Crafts Fair held in the Bellevue Square on July 25, 26 and 27. A versatile carver, his work consist of totem poles, masks, rattles, trays and sculptured figurines. His tools are specially carved to fit his own hand, and his work depicts original art forms handed down through the generations.

Abner has been carving for the Seattle Indian Center for the past nine years and his work is always available for sale here. He comes from a famous clan of carvers in Alaska. His preference in material is Alaska Yellow Cedar when available, but does much of his work in Red Cedar, White or Sugar Pine.

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WHERE TO GO IN SEPTEMBER

Taos, New Mexico

The San Geronimo Festival is held the last two days in September. This is a Thanksgiving celebration to the Taos Indians

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Pendleton, Oregon, September 11 to 14 - for the Pendleton Round Up.

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MORE FROM THE TEEPEES

Jesse Sixkiller, Executive Director of American Indians United was a visitor at the Indian Center. Members of the American Indian Women's Service League gave a baked salmon luncheon in his honor.

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Out-going Miss Indian Center Karen Growing Thunder participated in the West Seattle Hi-Yu parade accompanied by Yvonne Kauffman and her little sister. Driving the white convertible was Aloma Danley with her husband, Russ.

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Lee and Larry Piper returned their grandson home to his mother in Minnesota, and also visited Lee's family while there.

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Bea Medicine will be teaching at San Francisco State College this fall.

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Reuben Colby has been in charge of the Indian Center Wednesday nights. He supervises the Indian Dancing and sees that everything is kept in order.

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Sharon Chase substituted as secretary for the education counseling department while Adeline Garcia took her vacation. Substituting downstairs were Karen Chase and Aloma Danley, replacing Doroth Lombard and Helen White Eagle while they vacationed.

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A summer visitor to the Indian Center was Frank White Buffalo Man, a grandson of Sitting Bull, from Little Eagle, South Dakota.

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Pearl Warren and Kyona Tecumsah were among those who attended the open house at Muckleshoot Community Hall on July 20. Through the efforts of everyone this renovated building will make it possible for the com-

munity to hold their meetings and have space for additional activities.

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BEA MEDICINE

(Reprinted from the Indian Record, July, 1969.)

Miss Bea Medicine, Hunkpapa Dakota from Standing Rock Sioux Reservation in South Dakota, is director of the American Indian Research Project at the University of South Dakota, Vermillion.

The Project is funded by an annual grant from Miss Doris Duke's 10% Fund and gathers oral history from "the Indian point-of-view". For two summers it has sent researchers to several reservations throughout the Northern Plains area where they live and gather material on tapes. The tapes are then transcribed and catalogued and placed in the university archives for use by scholars.

Miss Medicine served as an assistant professor of anthropology at the university prior to her appointment as director of the project in June 1968. Previously, she had been on the staff of the University of Montana, Missoula.

Miss Medicine's parents still live on the Standing Rock Reservation where she grew up and attended elementary and high school at Wakpala. She then went to South Dakota State University where, in 1945, she received a bachelor of science in home economics. In 1954, Miss Medicine received a masters degree in sociology and anthropology from Michigan State University and is currently working for Ph.D. in anthropology.

In August 1968, Miss Medicine was one of six citizens of the United States who were invited to present

papers at the International Congress of Americanists' Meetings held in Stuttgart, Germany. Her paper, presented to this international body of scholars who study the societies and cultures of both the North and South American continent, was accompanied by slides of the Dakota Ceremony and tapes of Dakota music collected during her research.

The mother of a 12-year-old son, C. Edward Garner, Miss Medicine has written many professional papers and is presently working on two books, one a text to be used by Dakota Indian students.

Miss Medicine's many honors and awards include the South Dakota State University's LaVerne Noyes Scholarship (1941-1945), John Hay Whitney Foundation Fellowship (1953-54), American Council of Learned Societies Fellowship (1955), South Dakota State University Outstanding Alumnus (1955), "Who's Who Among American Indians" and others. She is a charter member of the American Indian Women's Service League, Seattle, Wash. and the American Association of Indian Artists, San Francisco, Calif. She is Consultant, Text book Committee of the American Indians-United, Chicago, Ill. and is on the Committee on the Third World Association for Minorities in America and the Curriculum Committee of the American Anthropological Association.

Kudos to Miss Medicine and we're proud to have her as one of our members.

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Alma and Jay Chastain and family took their vacation in Montana attending the Crow Fair.

Marge and Alan Snowberg and daughter Duzanne flew to Minneapolis, Minn. to visit Alan's family. They continued their vacation with a trip to Alaska, and Marge enjoyed a trip to Las Vegas to visit a friend.

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Carl Warren flew to Washington D.C. to visit Major Charles Hall and family. Pearl flew to Gallup, New Mexico, to attend the Indian celebration, visit the Santa Fe Institute of Art and visit old friends Eleanor and John Paradis.

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Milton and Dorothy Lombard enjoyed a 2½ week trip through California, Arizona, to Mexico; then return through Las Vegas, Northern Arizona, the Grand Canyon, Utah, Wyoming, Yellowstone National Park, Montana and home. Though the scenery was great, especially viewing one of the wonders of the world, the Grand Canyon, it was nice to return to the Northwest where it is much cooler, says Dorothy. "And those Los Angeles freeways are really something".

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Roger and Zena DeLorm joined other members of the family, journeying to Turner, Oregon to help her father, W. R. Hogsed, celebrate his 90th birthday!!! Congratulations, Mr. Hogsed!!! We wish you many more.

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#### NOMINATIONS ARE OPEN

The Nominating committee presented these names to be considered for election at the September meeting of the American Indian Women's Service League:

Vice-President - Ramona Bennett

Secretary: - Marirose Morris

Nominations can also still be made from the floor.

## NEW MISS INDIAN CENTER

## WINNERS AT THIRD ANNUAL WAR DANCE

Mona Tecumseh, the new Miss Indian Center, is a descendant from the original Chief Tecumseh - his great, great grand daughter. She is a Black Hawk on the maternal side of her family.

Mona, age 21, was elected Miss Indian Center and will hold office for one year, representing the Center at all official functions. She attended schools in White Swan, graduated from Santa Fe Institute of American Indian Arts, majoring in music; attended Haskell Institute in Kansas, went on relocation to Dallas, Texas to study business administration, and is now attending Yakima Valley College.

Our new representative of the Snoqualmie Tribe as well as Miss Indian Center, appeared in 3 of the Seafair parades; attended the Muckleshoot Open House; Appeared at the Rainier District Pow-Wow where she sang, danced, and spoke about the Center.

Mona has been a special guest of Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Udall at the White House on two occasions where she entertained with traditional Indian songs and dances. This was at the time Mr. Udall was Secretary of the Interior.

Mona plays many musical instruments, sings, and composes songs. During the summer she assisted in the direction of an Indian Play produced at Neighborhood House.

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NCAI 26th ANNUAL CONVENTION will be held in Albuquerque, New Mexico on October 6 - 10. Further information is available at the Indian Center.

Winners at the 3rd Annual War Dance held at the Seattle Center Arena in June, were:

Grand Champion Mens Fancy Dance - Al Doney (Cree); second, John Tsoodle (Kiowa); third, Sidney Whitesill, (Sioux).

Women's War Dance: first, Veronica Baker (Gros Ventre); second, Geneva Emhoola (Kiowa); third, Juanita Brown (Yakima).

Hoop Dance: first, Al Bennally (Navajo); second, Richard Walsy (Warm Springs); third, Al Doney (Cree).

According to director of the 3rd Annual War Dance, Bernie White Bear, 50 tribes were represented at this year's event.

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## STUDENT COUNSELING PROGRAM

This has been a busy summer for the Counseling Program. We have been involved in the following activities:

- (a) Student contacts
- (b) Job placements
- (c) Summer program placements (Clyde Warrior Institute) (American Friends Service Committee Work Camp) (Encampment for Citizenship)
- (d) Scholarship grants.

The supervisor, Jean Hunt, visited the Clyde Warrior Institute in Boulder, Colorado, attended the Indian and Migrant Conference at Central Washington State College and conducted the Workshop for Teachers of Indian Students at Western Washington State College.

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AMERICAN INDIANS-UNITED will hold its first convention in San Francisco, October 24 and 25.

89 INDIAN CHILDREN PLACED FOR ADOPT-CALENDER OF EVENTS  
ION IN 21 STATES DURING 1968

BIA release: The Adoption Resource Exchange of North America (ARENA) placed 89 Indian children out of 119 registered with it in 1968, reports the Bureau of Indian Affairs of the Department of the Interior. They work closely with this national organization.

Placement was pending at the end of 1968 for most of the remaining 30 Indian children.

The 89 children ranged in age from birth to 13 years. Of the total, 47 were infants, 23 were pre-school age, and 19 were school-age. Fifty-four of the children were boys, 35 were girls. There were eight sibling groups placed, including 3 from one family.

...According to Bureau officials, many of the families interested in adopting Indian children claimed some Indian heritage themselves. Taking pride in their Indian ancestry, they are interested in learning all about the child's tribe, and strive to keep the child informed and proud of his Indian background.

At present, ARENA has 145 families registered, waiting for Indian children.

The ARENA project is conducted through the Child Welfare League, 44 East 23rd Street, New York, New York 10010.

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POTLUCK ! - The Potluck dinners hosted by the American Indian Women's Service League, are the League's main source of income for their share of Indian Center support.

September 11: American Indian Women's Service League - 7:30 p.m. - Indian Center

September 12: Indian Center Operating Committee - noon luncheon - Indian Center

September 17, 24, 30: Family night Indian Dancing - Indian Center

October 5: Potluck, 1 to 4 p.m. Indian Center. Adults, \$1.25 children, 75¢.

Every Thursday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. is clothing day - free to those who need clothes.

Every Saturday, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., clothing is available for school children.

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LET'S ALL MEET AT THE INDIAN CENTER FOR THE YEAR'S FIRST POTLUCK ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5.

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INDIAN TRIBES INCREASE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FINANCING

From BIA release: Indian tribes put up about 28 percent of the total funds available last year for economic advancement in reservation areas, their participation increasing by more than \$10.5 million over the 1967 tribal investment.

Total financing by customary lenders also increased last year, by \$23.6 million, to \$207 million from \$183.4 million. The customary lenders furnished about 64 percent of the total. The BIA called for more legislation 'to provide Indians with more adequate credit, and with other tools to enable them to participate more fully in American life.'

## COYOTL AND THE MAN-CHILD

Coyotl was walking near a village one day when he came upon a little boy who was weeping.

"Who are you and why do you cry, Man-Child?" asked Coyotl.

The boy answered, "I am Veran of the Apache people and I cry because my dear father acts like a fool. See him over there by the hill playing with the small children?"

"Go you play, also," Coyotl instructed him. "A warrior is like a fine war-bow. If you keep the thong tight and the bow bent, in time the bow will break. But if you loosen the thong from time to time, the bow will be fit and supple when danger comes."

Knowing the words of Coyotl to be true, the little boy ran to join his father in the game.

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