

Director quits over financial woes

By Terry Lusty

Amidst allegations of financial mismanagement at the Nistawoyou Friendship Centre in Fort McMurray, director Ella Johnson has submitted her resignation.

This week secretary Dana Fraser resigned as well, as did Kevin Daniels, the centre's former recreation director who quit in June.

The outgoing director attributes her own resignation to "stress due to the political instability of the association." However. she maintains she will be "an extremely active and vocal member of the association."

In recent weeks, the centre has been the subject of much controversy for

conducting an investigation into the allegations.

The Secretary of State which provides core funding for Canada's friendship centres is also conducting its own audit of the centre's books says Stan Shank of the Edmonton regional office.

President Adles Tremblay does not think there is any cause for alarm. What happened in the past is a result of the previous executive as far as he is concerned and should not reflect directly on the present board.

"There won't be no personal loans, no advances, nothing," he said. He further contends that the \$18,631.37 repayment will not affect the centre's operations and that they are looking to hire a program director, secretary and recreation director in the near future. The latter two positions are now open to competition. One of the programs the centre wishes to pursue is that of a Native liaison worker with schools. Although the United Way has withdrawn its ties with the centre, Tremblay says, "We'll be looking around for other funding." Meanwhile, the centre continues to be closemouthed over its financial matters and almost everything else. Tremblay says that "he got the direction from the board (only) to say that we have replaced four board of directors and that's it." The four new board nembers appointed Aug. 2 are: Sylvia Hurley, Sondra Jacobs, Muriel _ebedynski and Madeline Mears.

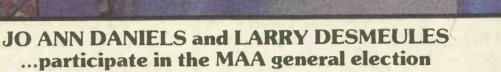


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It looks like Desmeules

By Lesley Crossingham

Although the presidential race isn't over yet, it looks like Larry Desmeules by a nose over close contender, Jo Ann Daniels.

In the preliminary results of the Metis Association election held Sept. 1, Desmeules is leading the field with a total of 1,070 votes over Daniels with 943. However, these results may change as the polling station at Desmarais was late sending in its ballots, said officials at the election office in Edmonton.

There are also some surprises in the zone races as both Zone 4 vice-president and director incumbents, Ben Courtrille and Ron LaRocque were defeated by Dan Martel and 4, Leonard Gauthier, 352; Zone 5, Harry M. Laboucan, Leonard Gauthier and in Zone 3 vice-president Joan 214; and, Zone 6, Dwight Carifelle, 151.

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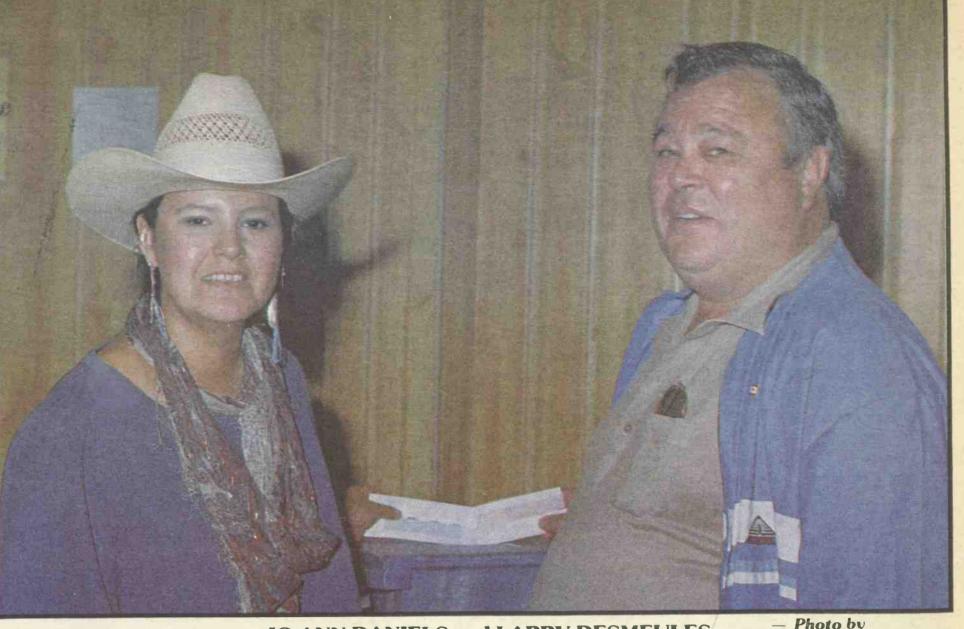
The ballots will be counted again Sept. 8 and final vote counts and results will be made public the following day. The preliminary results are:

Presidential Poll: Larry Desmeules, 1070; Jo-Ann Daniels, 943.

Vice-President Poll: Zone 1, Gerald Thom, 453; Zone 2, August Collins, 108; Zone 3, Peter Pelletier, 126; Zone 4, Dan Martel, 383; Zone 5, Peter Campiou, acclamation; and, Zone 6, George Amato, 187.

Board of Directors Poll: Zone 1, Alvina Strasberg, 299; Zone 2, Roy Dumais, 98; Zone 3, Freda Martel, 122; Zone

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allegedly issuing personal loans and pay advances. Controversy over funds came to light when the provincial Gaming Control Branch reviewed the centre's use of proceeds and ordered the recovery of \$18,631.37 because the funds were not used for what they considered to be legitimate purposes.

A formal complaint charging the centre with misuse of funds was filed with Fort McMurray RCMP on Aug. 4 by former treasurer, Jim Rogers. At present, the police are

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Indian Act amended Bands to levy taxes

By Lesley Crossingham

A weakness in the Indian Act that has allowed provincial governments to levy taxes on Indian lands will be eliminated, pledged Indian Affairs Minister Bill McKnight during the first day of a Vancouver conference on tax and economic development.

Speaking before about 300 people, McKnight said a new bill to amend the Indian Act is currently being formulated that will allow Indian bands to levy their own taxes on non-Indian residents on conditionally surrendered lands.

The amendment comes after almost 20 years of lobbying by the Kamloops Indian band which established an industrial park on part of its reserve in the 1960s. The band found itself paying for services to the park without the ability to levy taxes, while the B.C. government was able to collect an estimated \$6 million in property taxes on those lands without supplying any services.

During his speech, McKnight admitted that the Indian Act did contain "ambiguous language in some places," and that

Indigenous school to open

By Dianne Meili

An international school which will provide a place for Natives to exchange education, trade, and cultural information with other aboriginal peoples of the world is to be developed near Edmonton.

The cultural centre and school, to be called MISPA (Multi-Indigenous Studies Program of the Americas) will give Natives a chance to establish important links with the rest of the world.

The school is to be situated in the old residential building beside Poundmaker's Lodge, located in St. Alberta.

Buff Parry, administrative director of the Dr. Anne Anderson Native Heritage and Culture Centre, and MISPA founder-director, believes North America's Indians have much to gain by identifying and trading information with other aboriginals who come from ancient civilizations. In many cases, these other

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nations have also experienced oppression by a dominant society.

To date, "Natives have lived in a kind of vacuum --having only Europeans to identify with -- their culture and traditions are stifled because the majority of North Americans just aren't interested in it," explains Parry.

"But, the rest of the world is very interested in

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conditionally surrendered reserve land is not "clearly defined in the act. Hence, the jurisdiction that bands can exercise over this land is uncertain."

The amendment will make it clear that conditionally surrendered land remains part of the reserve and the term "conditional surrender" will be dropped and be replaced with the term "designated land." The term surrender will only be used when a band wants to completely remove a parcel of land from its reserve, said McKnight.

The amendment will also remove the provision that bands must be in an "advanced state" before they can exercise their money by-law powers said McKnight.

"Besides the fact that there is no definition for "advanced state," the requirement is objectionable to bands and inconsistent with the overall progress being made toward selfgovernment."

The minister will also form an Indian taxation advisory board to assist bands and the department in the formulation of effective and "proffesional" taxation bylaws.

The board will include Indian members and will also consider the impact "on future taxpayers and surrounding jurisdictions," said McKnight.

In a speech following McKnight, Kamloops chief Clarence (Manny) Jules thanked the minister and the bands who had supported his band's endeavour to amend the act.

"This is a very important day for us and for bands right across the country," he said.

However, other delegates hesitated to either condemn or applaud the new amendment, which was quickly dubbed the "Kamloops amendment."

In an interview after the speech, Indian Association president, Gregg Smith said he was "pleased" with the proposed amendment but would not comment further until the actual legislation has been written. "I would have to see the exact wording," said Smith. "But it does appear to be a step in the right direction."

Blackfoot band administrator, Andy Bear Robe said he was also optimistic about the proposed amendment as his own band also "conditionally surrendered" land for the Siksika holiday resort. "We are all going to have to study this new amendment," he added.



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Indians and their culture and this opens up a whole new area for expression of what being Native is."

Parry also believes there are many deceptions in history books written by Europeans and subsequently Indians have no sense of pride in the fact they come from a great civilization. All the books indicate that before Columbus landed, Indians were simple nomadic tribes that had developed no written language or sophisticated culture.

Parry indicates that similarities between Cree syllabics and Middle Eastern scripts are no coincidence. He suggests there are definite links between Natives and other ancient civilization to indicate much has been left out of history books.

He believes a school like MISPA will provide a forum for Natives and other aboriginal people to discover ways in which they are related and discover other "anomalies that either enhance or contradict the history being taught in schools today.

"The world is so old -they've just found bones in Brazil that are nearly 300,000 years old," Parry says, offering an example of research which disproves theories that the earliest humans lived in China and Africa.

"There was a lot more going on here (in North and South America) than the history books give credit. We have to study the parallels which connect ancient peoples. There is a lot we don't know."

The MISPA school and cultural centre will accommodate up to 300 students -- 200 native Americans and 100 foreign exchange students. Regular high school courses will be taught along with aboriginal history and cultural studies.

Visiting teachers will also be accommodated. India has already expressed interest in having 20 to 30 students and teachers study at MISPA. "We also plan to tour education and cultural centres in America to arrange exchange programs with them," Parry explains.

The provincial government has given Parry permission to use the historical residence at Poundmaker's Lodge for the school. Renovations will begin this winter and Parry is looking to a fall '88 start-up for the school. will join Parry as a founding member and director of the school. Grace Buffalo, principal of the Hobbema grammer school, has expressed interest in acting as principal of MISPA and Dr. Sam Windyboy of the United States has been approached to be a staff member.

Funding sources for MISPA have been identified in both public and private sectors.

Dr. Anne Anderson

NWAC receives increase

By Christine Purvis

The federal government announced Aug. 6 that the Native Women's Association of Canada (NWAC) will receive \$457,000 for the coming fiscal year an increase of approximately \$100,000 over last year.

The increase is partially due to Bill C-31, an amendment to the Indian Act designed to remove discrimination against Indian women who lost band membership by marrying non-Indian men.

Newly-elected NWAC

president Donna Weaselchild applauds the additional funding and says that some Indian women who have been reinstated have run into problems. The funding will permit the association to do case studies on 25 women in each

province to see how reinstatement has affected them.

Some of these women have been welcomed back to their reserve, "but only on general band membership status," says Weaselchild. This does not entitle them to land. In the area of education, Bill C-31 women are now eligible to return to school, but are finding it impossible because the education budgets have already been spent.

"Child sexual abuse is another key area for public education," says Weaselchild. NWAC will work with Inuit and Indian nurses at local levels to develop and distribute fact sheets. "The fact sheets will be very general. We don't want to start pointing fingers at specific people," says Weaselchild.

Trappers organization formed to address special needs

By Donna Rea Murphy

BONNYVILLE — Native trapper's have a new organization formed to block threats to their traplines and livelihood in the form of the Native Trapper's Association.

The new group was launched during a meeting at the Bonnyville Canadian Native Friendship Centre organized by the Indian Association of Alberta last month. The IAA has been travelling the province encouraging Native people to join the new group.

More than 30 new members signed up from

the area and IAA officals were pleased at the turnout. The association will act as a lobby group to advise, inform and assist its members on issues directly affecting them. In the Lakeland, for example, the major issue is the affect of petroleum development on traplines.

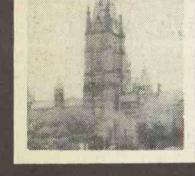
While many of the new members are involved in the Alberta Trapper's Association, it was felt Native concerns needed special focus. The new organization will assist Native trappers in launching and settling compensation claims where oil and gas development has decreased the animal population.

IAA spokesperson Edna Deranger said treaty rights also must be upheld and a lobby and acting group would be more effective collectively than individual complaints.

While a complete tally of members signed up during the membership drive were not available, officials say the number is 'sizeable.'

Marcel Piche, former chief of Cold Lake First Nations and Russell Cardinal of Bonnyville were elected as Lakeland representatives for the Native Trapper's Association.

Chiefs get a 'free lunch'



OTTAWA REPORT

By Owenadeka

S omewhere in southern Saskatchewan a phone is ringing. It's ringing in an Indian band office. The chief picks it up. It's a fast-talking character named Bernie.

"Hey, Chief, I caught your act in South Africa. What a performance! Lemme tell ya! Ya made Page One on newspapers all over the world. In fact, I'm sending ya a package of press clippings. Ya'll love 'em! Tell ya what, though, we got to act quick and cash in while you're hot."

The chief decides to make a suitably modest reply until he can find out what Bernie has in mind. "I was only doing what was best for my people."

"Yeah, good line, good line. But I tell ya what. I got a deal for ya that is just too good to pass up."

"What's the deal?"

"Well, Chief, I've got a dozen foreign clients who wanna know if ya wanna visit their countries -- all expenses paid of course."

"Which clients and which countries?"

"I'll tell ya the others in a minute, but here's the number one on the list. The country is Iran and my client is -- get this, Chief -- The Ayatollah Khomeini himself? I tell ya Chief, you're hot! We gotta act now!" "What do I have to do?"

"That's the easy part, Chief. Ya just gotta do the

same thing ya did in South Africa. The Iranians will arrange everything. Ya know the routine -- a quickie tour of the tourist spots, a few meetings with some friendly Iranians and a couple of banquets. No sweat!"

"But there's a war on over there."

"Ah, don't worry about it. Ya won't be anywhere near the war zone. Besides, ya don't think the Ayatollah will take a chance on losing a publicity machine like you, do ya?"

"What do I get out of it, Bernie?"

"Look, Chief, ya say ya want to establish ties with other nations, don't ya? Well, here's your chance! The Ayatollah says he'll recognize your sovereignty. Ya can even exchange ambassadors and establish diplomatic relations.

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"Okay, so they got a few rough edges. Forget that idea. But ya can still set up a student exchange program with them like ya did in South Africa. The Ayatollah says he'll educate Indian students over there for free."

"Bernie, it's got to be a better deal than that South African thing. Our students will be forced to study the Afrikaans language there."

"Bad news, Chief. The Ayatollah insists that all students will be required to learn the Farsi language. And he says they'll be strongly encouraged to convert to the Islamic religion -- and ya know how convincing those revolutionary guards can be. Oh yeah, Chief. There's no booze allowed. They're Moslems and they're really strict about booze."

"Geez, Bernie, I don't know. That doesn't sound like such a good deal to me."

"Hey, Chief! You don't have to quit drinking. Just the students."

"Oh. Well, I still don't know, Bernie. Is that all there is to it?"

"How about a free trade deal? Ya must have something ya can sell to the Iranians."

"Not really. All we have here are a few moccasins and some arts-n-crafts."

"Well look, Chief, ya got wheat growing there, right? And there's some potash and oil laying around, right? Well ya just have to dress up your press statement by saying that your free trade deal will include things like that. If anybody asks about it, just be vague and say the details haven't been worked out yet."

"What press statement?"

"Chief, Chief, Chief, you're a big boy now. Ya still don't believe in Santa Claus, do ya? Ya don't think the Ayatollah is doing this out of the goodness of his heart, do ya? You want somethin', he wants somethin'."

"Well, what do I have to do?"

"That's the easy part -- the same thing ya did in South Africa. Ya just say that Iran isn't such a bad place after all. Besides, ya can say that Canada is even worse."

"What if someone asks about all those hostages the Iranians have captured in Lebanon? Or what about the way the Iranians have been killing off all the Bahai people -- for nothing?"

"Look, all ya have to do is say that protocol problems

prevented ya from meeting the Bahais. And ya can blame the media for giving the rest of the world the wrong idea about Iran. So whad'ya say, Chief? Yes or no?"

"I don't know. Who else do you have in mind?"

"Okay, here's the list. There Muammar Qadaffi from Libya. He's one guy who could really use your help to polish up his image. And there's Mikhail Gorbachev. He's got a real media problem with all those Jews wanting to leave the Soviet Union. And then there's Idi Amin from Uganda. He's in exile, but he's still got lots of dough. Come to think of it, Baby Doc Duvalier isn't in Haiti anymore, but he's still rich. And I'm sure we can get that Bokassa guy."

"Who?"

"You know. The emperor from the Central African Republic who turned out to be a cannibal. I think he's in jail somewhere."

"No, Bernie. I'm not meeting anybody in exile, nobody in prison and no cannibals. I have to draw the line somewhere."

"Okay, if ya don't want them you'll have to go to Italy instead and meet the head of the Sicilian Mafia. And you'll have to go to Bolivia and meet the army general who's in charge of cocaine smuggling."

"Bernie!"

"Look, Chief. This will be a blockbuster if we can pull this off as a package deal. You'll be Page One for years. The think is, we gotta move now! We already missed Rudolf Hess."

"Who?"

"He's the old Nazi war criminal who died the other day. I tell ya, Chief, we missed a good one with him. That's why I say we gotta shake-a-leg. So what's your answer?"

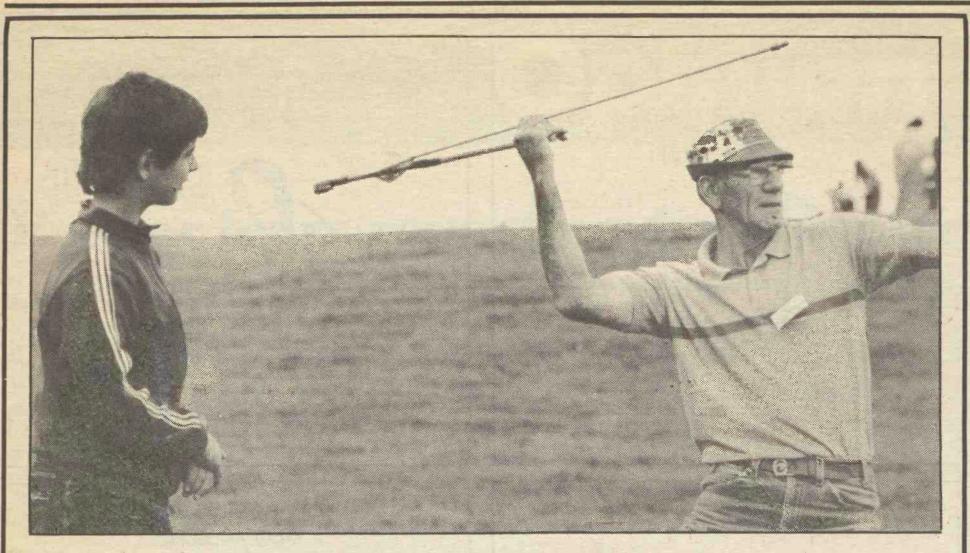
"Okay, Bernie, sign me up."

"Fantastic! Terrific! That's just great, Chief. Ya won't regret it. But there's one more thing I forgot to tell ya. The Ayatollah wants a feathered headdress. He says if the South Africans can get one so can he."

"Okay, Bernie, but on one condition--if the only thing I get out of this is a free trip, then there's going to be no more economy travel for me. I'm a first-class Indian."

"Hey, no problem." "Goodbye, Bernie." "Goodbye, Chief."





INDIAN SUMMER FESTIVAL

Instructor Maurice White demonstrates to Danny Stuffco, 11, how to throw the atlatl (a spear used in historic times).

The weather was excellent on August 30 as adults and children gathered at Strathcona Science Park in northeast Edmonton to observe and/or participate in the 5th Annual Indian Summer Festival.

The event is sponsored to give one a feel for what life was like in historic times. Activities included hands-on experiences such as hide smoking, bannock making, atlatl throwing, stone tool making,

string beading, tempra painting, making arrows shafts and the excavation and screening of stone flakes for which the site is well-known.

Story telling, fish scale art and moosehair tufting were also demonstrated.

Those, who participated in the daylong events were issued special certificates from the Strathcona Archaeological Society.

The park, located along the North Saskatchewan River, is a historic site discovered in 1976 and is estimated to have been populated by stone-age craftsmen as much as 5,000 years ago.

Art auction for tornado victims

By Terry Lusty

"drawn together to help" posters.

and gallery owners were is sponsoring 1,500 free monies raised, explains

Clark, all proceeds are

Funds rescue cultural centre

By Mark McCallum

Dr. Anne Anderson's urgent plea for financial funding has been finally met with a cheque of nearly \$6,000 from Municipal Affairs for the Native Heritage and Cultural Centre received in August.

For several tense months, Anderson was plagued with financial problems that came close to shutting the centre.

"But, now it seems more hopeful," said Anderson. adding that she is preparing to teach Cree classes in September.

Anderson also extended her gratitude to the Metis and Native community for the support she received. The community rallied behind her and raised money through benefits.

Although Anderson wouldn't admit it, the main reason the centre exists today is the tremendous effort she put forth. The centre relied heavily on book sales made from the "Cree Productions" franchise she owns.

Anderson plans to expand and add yet two more projects. Through a UI Job Creation program, the federal government has guaranteed almost \$25,000 so Anderson can hire three research workers. The workers will compile and write Anderson's biography.

An executive director is also being hired to design a Cree language and culture curriculum for classes, to be held at the Poundmaker Lodge.

Are You Eligible For Credit?

Approximately 800,000 Canadians are eligible to receive a \$325 per child pre-payment of the Child Tax Credit.

You may be one of them!

The Child Tax Credit is available to Canadian mothers, or in some cases fathers, to supplement their family income. A pre-payment of \$325 per child will be paid in November to low-income families who qualify. To receive the balance of the Child Tax Credit you must complete Schedule 10 when you file you 1987 tax return (on or before April 30, 1988).

You do not need to apply for the pre-payment. During November you will automatically receive a cheque if you meet all of the following three (3) conditions: you received a Child Tax Credit for 1986 for the child; your net family income for 1986 did not exceed \$15,000; and, you will be eligible to receive Family Allowance benefits in January

All systems are go for an art auction and sale in Edmonton with proceeds going to victims of the Aug. 31 tornado that claimed 27 lives and injured hundreds.

Native sculptor and organizer, Brian Clark, says the Artists for Tornado **Relief committee auction** sale will go ahead Sept. 15 at Edmonton's Northland Agri Com.

The committee of artists, writers, publishers, friends the victims, said Clark. Clark confesses he has been overwhelmed by the response from artists and supporters. All indications point to the donation of anywhere from 500 to 1,500 art works.

The Canadian Native Friendship Centre in Edmonton is the committee's telephone centre; the Brick Warehouse is providing free trucking; and Commercial Colour Press

Clark is pleased with how well things have gone. "It's amazing," he said, "what you can do without really formal structure in place."

Friendship centres at Fort McMurray, Bonnyville, Peace River, Grande Prairie and Slave Lake have agreed to be drop off points for artists or craft work contributions.

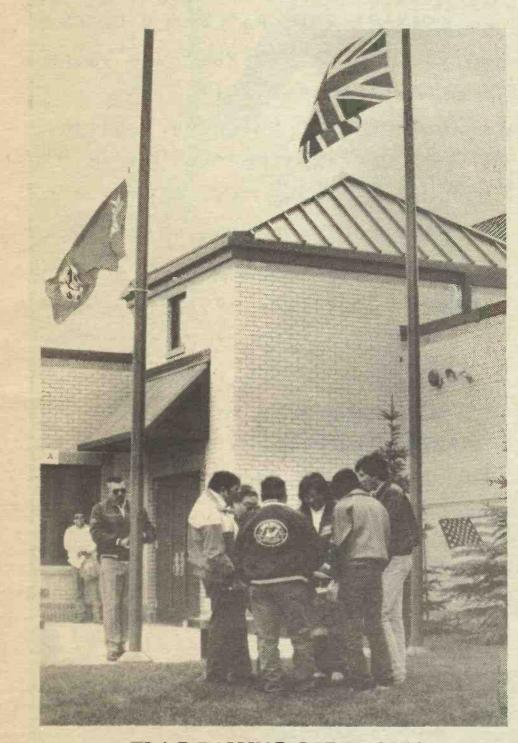
To ensure proper handling and disbursement of being controlled by the Canadian Red Cross.

Lieutenant Governor Helen Hunley will officially open the event at 12 noon and the event will run until 6 p.m.

"If anyone from the public has not yet contributed to aiding victims of the tornado, this is an opportunity to do so and at the same time receive something in return," said Clark.

1988, for the children who would be under 18 years of age. Children born in 1987 do not qualify for pre-payment of this credit.

We also want to make sure we have your most current address to ensure your pre-payment cheque is mailed to you without problems or delays. Please notify the nearest District Taxation Office in writing of any address change since filing your tax return this year. So remember, to ensure prompt cheque delivery, please advise Revenue Canada Taxation in writing of any change of address. In all correspondence to the Department, always include your Social Insurance Number.



FLAG RAISING CEREMONY ...at school opening

School named after deceased councillor

By Dan Dibbelt

With the beginning of a new school year just a week away, Chief Old Sun school on the Blackfoot reserve near Gleichen opened its doors to an admiring crowd of more than 300 people Aug. 28.

"Today is a very memorable occasion for the Blackfoot people," said Blackfoot education portfolio holder Ann McMaster in her welcoming remarks.

"Today we have seen many years of work become a reality."

The school was a joint project between the Blackfoot band and Indian and Northern Affairs. Falling below its estimated budget cost of 3.6 million. the nine classroom school is an example of modern architecture and technology. The building is a brick

structure with a red metal roof. Numerous windows and curved walls remove the traditional institutional look of many modern schools. And a unique feature of the school is its indirect lighting. The lighting fixtures shine upwards and reflect off the ceilings.

"We visited many schools in the Calgary area when we were planning Old Sun," explained Robert Breaker Jr., master of ceremonies for the day. "This is one of the ideas we saw and liked."

While the actual plans for the school began several years ago following the burning down of the previous elementary school, construction only began in Sept. 1985.

Construction manager Paul Hussey recorded the school's gradual building and presented the story in the form of a slide show to a packed gymnasium.

The gymnasium was filled not only with adults but with many children who would be among the estimated 175 students who will utilize the classrooms, gymnasium and resource centre.

A teaching staff of nine, headed by principal Janet Campbell, will teach from kindergarten to Grade 6 as well as early childhood studies.

"It is really up to all of us," said Chief Leo Young Man, addressing the crowd. "Parents must work together with the children as a unit to make this school work. That is the avenue we should take." The day's ceremonies began with an opening prayer and blessing by Blackfoot Elder Mark Wolfleg Sr. There was then

a flag raising ceremony followed by the dedication of the school. The school was dedicated to Hubert Low Horn, a past member of the education committee recently deceased. A plaque and two evergreen trees flank an east wall of the school in his dedication. Vice-principal Freda White was responsible for the naming of the school.

The ribbon cutting ceremony was performed by Chief Leo Young Man, Ann McMaster, Dennis Wallice of Indian Affairs and three elementary school students.

Surrounding the school are playgrounds, baseball diamonds and a football field. And because of additional funding from Indian Affairs, the school received major landscaping. A tour of the school followed the day's ceremonies.



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Amendment may bring jobs back

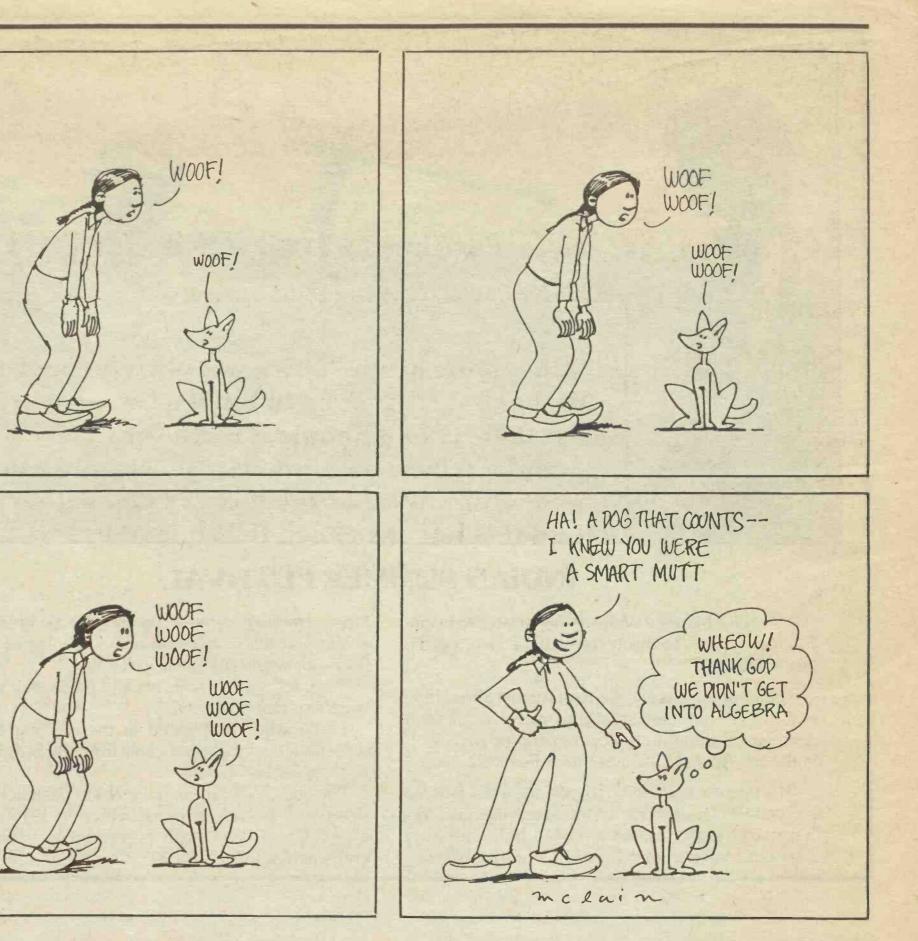
The proposed "Kamloops amendment" to the Indian Act has been greeted with jubilation by many of our leaders. The proposed amendment would allow Indian bands to levy property taxes on non-Indian businesses on reserves. Currently, the provincial governments tax these businesses but yet refuses to supply such amenities as sewer and water, to these businesses -- hardly a business incentive.

This naturally, has forced many Indian bands to provide these necessities out of their own pockets in order to encourage economic development which is so badly needed on many of our Indian reserves.

Hopefully, with this new amendment as an incentive, more business-minded individuals will look on reserves as business opportunities not as vast wastelands of government bureaucracy and red tape. And in time, as more reserves open their doors to entrepreneurs, there will again, be employment opportunities on the reserve for many residents.

No news is good news

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That old adage of "only bad news makes news" is still the case with most newspapers, and we at Windspeaker are often as "guilty" as the mainstream media in honing in on the negative.

Recently, a number of complaints were received over stories printed regarding Metis settlements. One of these critic's opinions appear on the "opinion" page in this ussue.

Windspeaker stands by these much criticized stories, but a fundamental journalist issue surfaces here. Should Windspeaker, a Native oriented publication, print "negative" stories?

Recently, during the National Aboriginal Communication Society annual meeting held in Banff, this question was raised. During the discussions, several journalists and readers expressed the opinion that, yes, the Native press does have an obligation to print those sometimes "unsavory" events that happen within the community.

The general consensus was that only through facing our mistakes can we ever hope to avoid them in the future. However, when questioned as to whether the Native press should uncover "negative" stories in that person's own community, the answer was "as long as you don't concentrate only on the negative."

In this Windspeaker issue several interesting, informative and essentially "positive" stories can be found. There is even an excellent story on the East Prairie Metis Settlement. Do we sniff out only negative news? No.

However, readers should remember that it is the negative and often "sensational" stories that catch the eye. We are often remembered for the so-called "negative" stories, yet our stories on communities, interesting people and culture do not stir up such strong reaction.

CORRECTION

The fancy dancer featured in our front page picture in last week's issue was incorrectly identified as Ron McNabb. He is actually Marty Pinnecosse.

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opinion

Reader fears reporting disintegrates community

Dear Editor:

I noted a letter in your "Opinion" Column, August 21, 1987 Windspeaker. This letter supported my concern that your articles are reflecting gross inaccuracies and biases of the reporters. I had wondered whether this attitude was supported by the managing and editorial staff.

When a reporter doesn't have the perception or the ability to report accurately, and, as objectively as possible, the two (or often more) sides to an issue, that reporter can assist in the disintegration of a community. I am referring to the recent "reports" on the problems in two of the Metis Settlements.

Although I was obviously incriminated in your paper as one of the "bad guys," guilty of "nepotism and corrupt election practices" (Windspeaker, August 14). I found the reporting so grossly unfair and biased, that to recognize it with a 'Like many other Native people who have dedicated their lives to build a better world for their young people, I work for my own people, wherever I am, whenever I am asked, and with whatever resources I can gather.' I do this because I see that it is one struggle and one people.'

point by point analysis, would give recognition to a piece of writing which I feel only brings shame to a Native newspaper.

After this experience in reading about Peavine, I will now read any article which is supposedly reporting on a local political issue with the recognition that the only fragment of truth that it may contain will be that the particular community is having a problem. Everything else probably depends on who spoke to the reporter first, or whose "side" he/she decided to take.

Is this what this newspaper has become? A government-supported paper to create and support dissension, ripping communities apart by giving reporters the license to write, and have printed, their "support" for their chosen "side" in a community issue?

There are major issues which underline the problems in the two settlements. These were not addressed in any meaningful way. Where was the compassion and understanding of Native people which should characterize all your printing? Instead, you seem to be trying to capitalize on the people's frustration and suffering, and attempting to sensationalize these, pitting one person against another. Keeping the pot of internal struggle and suffering boiling. The feeble attempt

in the "Editorial" of August 14 to portray a broader, more understanding perspective doesn't even come close to addressing the the local level is pull each other's hair and steal from each other, we need someone wiser to speak for us and save us from ourselves! I see a great danger for all of our communities when the media can be used by one segment of society to further its views.

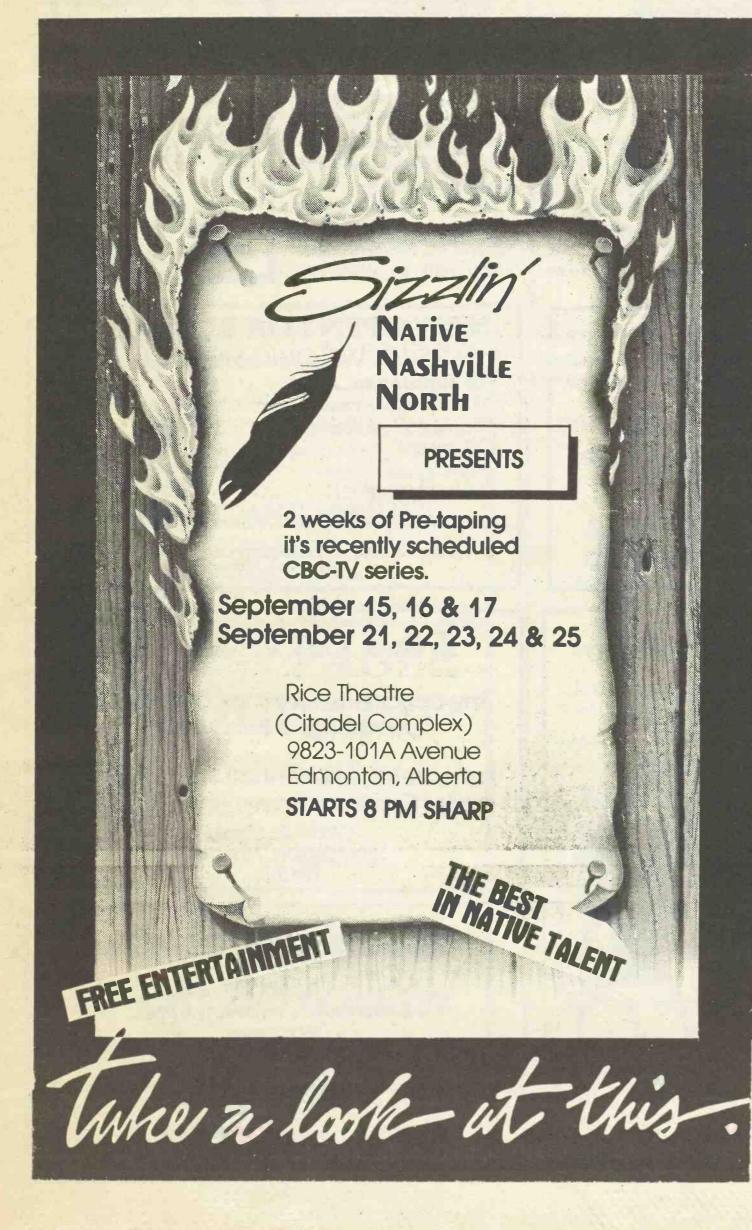
There are serious problems in Paddle Prairie and Peavine, as well as many other Native communities who have not yet "hit the papers." However, it is the ROOTS of these problems which need to be identified and addressed in your newspaper coverage. What are the avenues for the "democratic" process and local government for these people? Where are the technical, administrative, and legal resources available to these people? Who understands the legislated pieces of authority under which these people live, and try to determine and govern their own activity? Who made the regulations? Who cares enough, or who is responsible enough, or who has the money to help the people to understand all these LAWS which surround them and strangle them and make them turn on each other because the "enemy" is not visible? Do you believe that a Native newspaper should be helping to identify the "enemy" as the Native brother who lives next door in a "better" house? A Native newspaper which "takes sides" to sensationalize the fears and frustrations of Native people, and who avoids taking sides on a genuine issue dealing with the

government of this province is perhaps a good reflection of the problems we face as Native leaders who keep working for their people.

Like many other Native people who have dedicated their lives to build a better world for their young people, I work for my own people wherever I am, whenever I am asked, and with whatever resources I can gather. I do this because I see that it is one struggle and one people. We must succeed if our young people are to survive. We cannot allow ourselves to fall into the trap of believing that we are like the people which the newspapers would try to portray.

The written word is indeed powerful. It's too bad the "white" world has so often used it to abuse and dominate or hinder the development of Native people. It's even worse that the "Native" world now seems to be using it the same way to do the same thing.

My views are strong and critical. I know we need this newspaper, but we need the type of coverage that builds, motivates, encourages, and assists, while at the same time, provides **INFORMATION** accurately within that context and reflecting that attitude. Thank you very much for printing my views unedited, and I hope to see a more supportive and compassionate philosophy adopted by your paper.

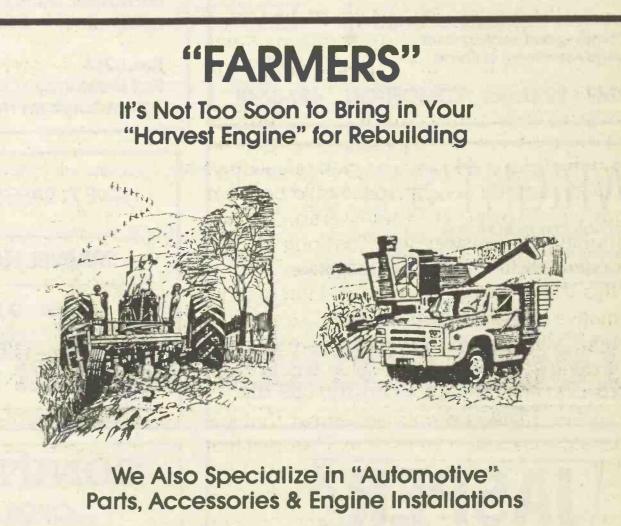


heart of the issues which should be receiving coverage in a Native newspaper.

I am very sorry to see that this Native newspaper seems to have joined forces with those people in various government departments who wish to project a view of Native people as a people whose only concern is keeping their neighbour down and "lining their own pockets."

To portray Native people as "squabbling children" means we will need the "Big Daddy" government official or his "appointed Native." After all, if all we can do at

Sincerely, Lawrence Cunningham Peavine



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Northern communities hit

Doctors pinpoint TB causes

By Terry Lusty

The recent outbreak of tuberculosis at Little Buffalo and Cadotte Lake is a testimony to the inferior health and economic conditions among Alberta's underprivileged according to the medical consulting officer to the Peace River Health Unit, Dr. Graham Clarkson.

TB is nothing new to the affected communities which are about 100 km northeast of Peace River and have been noted for substandard housing, health and economics. Five or six years ago, unsanitary water conditions raised controversy and minor outbreaks of TB had occurred.

Little Buffalo is home to approximately 200 Indians and 100 Metis while Cadotte is basically a Metis community of about 200.

Dr. Clarkson thinks, "the principle source of the infection to be a young woman in her 20s," but adds "we're not sure yet." He is quick to fault poor housing, outdoor toilets and the lack of running water which he claims "is not conducive to cleanliness," one of the contributing factors to the disease.

As of Aug. 31, 27 people

Recent reports say that all are progressing satisfactorily.

"It's a big outbreak," says Hodes, who notes that in recent years there were two other significant outbreaks in Alberta. One was about two years ago at Janvier in northeastern Alberta and the other at Eden Valley earlier this year.

Hodes maintains that such outbreaks in northern or isolated communities occur periodically. The culprit, he adds, is usually sanitary conditions although it is not the sole basis for an outbreak.

"The main reason is someone who had TB, maybe 20 or 30 years ago, either wasn't treated properly or didn't take their medication or wasn't treated at all," he says.

Clarkson informed Windspeaker on Sept. 1 that 24 individuals are on active treatment for the disease which "was bad enough to gallop at quite a pace."

In response to the situation, Clarkson reports they have screened (given TB sensitivity skin tests) 229 people from Little Buffalo and 170 from Cadotte. As well, 146 were

stages.

Although the age range of the individuals is varied, "it's young children, adolescents and the old that are at greatest risk," states Clarkson.

For now, the patients will remain at Aberhart until it is safe for them to be returned home. That may be three or four weeks away and they will need to take medication -- liquid form for children, pills for adults -for up to a year says Hodes.

To many, tuberculosis is a misunderstood ailment. At one time, particularly during the '20s and '30s, it ran rampant in many Native communities, so much so that the Charles Camsell Hospital in Edmonton became an exclusive hospital for Native TB patients.

Generally speaking, TB is a bacteria which spreads through the lymphatic channels and blood stream. Lymph vessels are similar to blood vessels and are the highways for the bacteria which then attacks the body, especially the lungs.

The most common form of the disease is pulmonary TB. Clarkson explains that it is characterized by loss of weight, fatigue, listlessness, night sweats (fever) and develops a cold, lacks proper diet or eating habits, or lives in unclean surroundings (TB germs can live in dust for many months), they are targets, Hodes states.

Any person who has contracted TB at some time is not totally cured of it. The bacteria can remain in the body in a dormant (inactive) state for many, many years. However, if the condition of the carrier weakens, the TB germs reactivate and attack again. But, if the victim takes

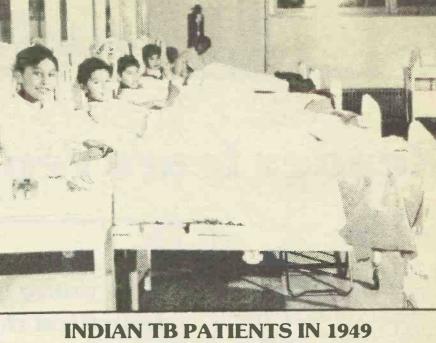
proper care, they can carry the bacteria all their life and never fall victim to the disease.

To avoid a recurrence or spreading of the disease, carriers should maintain a good diet, exercise properly, keep clean houses and avoid overcrowding of homes says doctors.

Unfortunately, says Clarkson, the average of four persons per sleeping room in Native communities "is high by any standards."

At the very least, people should wash their hands often and cover their mouth with a hanky when sneezing or coughing because the germs are carried in the air.

The medical officer says



NDIAN TB PATIENTS IN 1949 ...disease returns in the '80s

Services for "responding very appropriately." He also commends the communities of Little Buffalo and Cadotte which he says were also very co-operative.

However, Dr. Clarkson is highly critical of how mainstream media performed during the outbreak and questions their ethics.

"I was appalled that the CBC are allowed in Aberhart to take photographs and none of the patients were asked for their permission. I think that's a scandal," Clarkson complains.

He adds that their attitude seemed to say, "just because they're Natives, they're fair game...I've got no doubts about that."

Chief Bernard Ominayak of Little Buffalo also levels criticism at mainstream society charging them with being prejudiced.

"If it was anyone other than a Native person, the attitude would be much different," he says. He speaks bitterly of provincial and federal government who, he accuses, are not tending to their needs nor their Treaty rights. estimated to have been Natives, says Dr. Hodes. That he concludes, is extremely high given the fact their population only constitutes a small percentage of the population.

The incidence of TB among Natives is purported to be anywhere from 10 to 15 times the national average.



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had been admitted to Edmonton's Aberhart Hospital with eight being diagnosed to have infectious TB. The other 16, says Dr. Hodes, the regional medical officer for Medical Services Branch, Edmonton, "were not positive for infectious TB but have another form which is not infectious."

chest X-rayed at Little c Buffalo and 36 at Cadotte.

Two tested victims are one years of age; one is 23months old and another is three years old says Clarkson. A seven-month old child he adds, has miliary TB, a type which can be fatal if not discovered and treated in its early

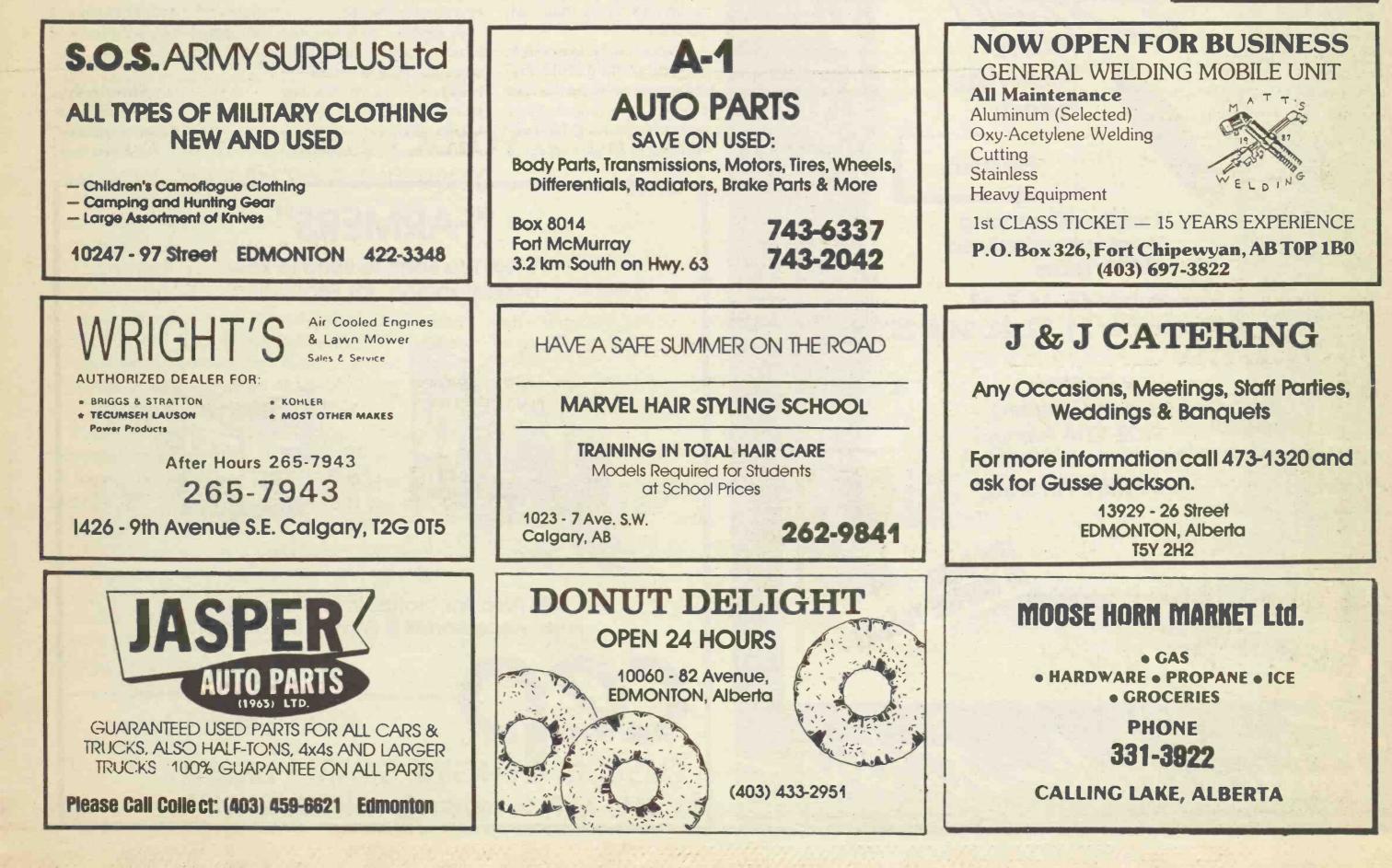
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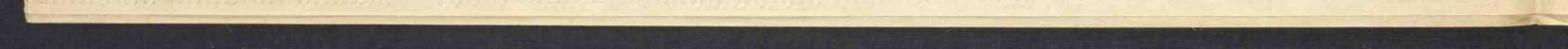
The "bug" may not stay just in the lungs, but spread to other body organs. If not checked, it can lead to meningitis or miliary TB. Both can be fatal.

Often the victim's physical condition has deteriorated for one or more reasons, says Hodes. If one is sick, they are doing everything in their power to prevent further spreading during this outbreak. They are tracing contacts and movements of those afflicted and are co-operating closely with the province and the communities involved.

Clarkson praises the Provincial Tuberculosis Of 200 recorded and known cases of TB in Alberta in the past year, about 30 to 40% are

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Youngsters skin moose, snare rabbits while camping out

By Marlene Cardinal

EAST PRAIRIE - On Aug. 6, 1987 approximately 26 youngsters went for a six-day camping trip on the outskirts of East Prairie settlement.

The youngsters ranging in ages 8 to 16 and ten adult supervisors went and "roughed it" in the bush. They took four horse teams, two horses and three trikes for emergency purposes.

The outing was basically set up because the young

Larry and Eliza Big Charles and Romeo Cardinal were instrumental in setting up the teams, fixing wagons, buying and hauling groceries.

They left on a Thursday instead of Monday as previously planned because of the rainy weather. The long-awaited day finally came and the youngsters were all enthusiastic as they waited for the last minute preparations to be finished.

Fortunately, on the second day they were cleaning.

The children were taught a lot of things such as how to make bannock, a lean-to, whistles, a drum out of moosehide, scrapers, knives out of a shoulder blade and how to snare rabbits.

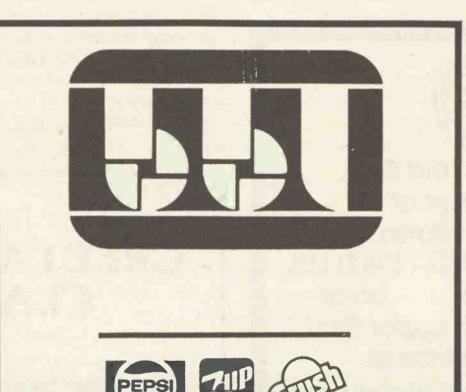
Some of the older ones were taught how to harness horses and drive them. They were also taken for a walk to set rabbit snares but they walked a little farther than intended. which turned out to be six miles.

The children have to be commended on their stamina and willingness to learn. Despite the wet



they enjoyed weather themselves -- some of them wanted to stay another day. Most of them are looking forward to another outing next year.

The supervisors had a lot of suggestions on how to improve the conditions next year. They would like to see the land set aside for future campouts and build a few cabins because of the need for dry, warm lodging. They would also like to have two expeditions one for 7 - 12 year olds for one week and 13 - 16 year olds for three weeks. This way the younger children wouldn't have any conflicts





with the teenagers which sometimes happened. The East Prairie Recrea-

tion Board donated money for the groceries and supplies. Tents were supplied by Forestry and most of the supervisors loaned their equipment such as wagons and horses.

The supervisors were; Larry and Eliza Big Charles. Romeo Cardinal, Raymond Supernault, William Patenaude, Charlie

Patenaude, Yvette Bellam, Norman L'Hirondelle, Lawrence Sawan and Cindy Janviers.

On behalf of the youngsters and the adults, I would like to say that the camping trip was a learning experience that they will treasure for the rest of their lives. I'd like to commend the adults on their dedication and on having something for the youngsters which is worthwhile.

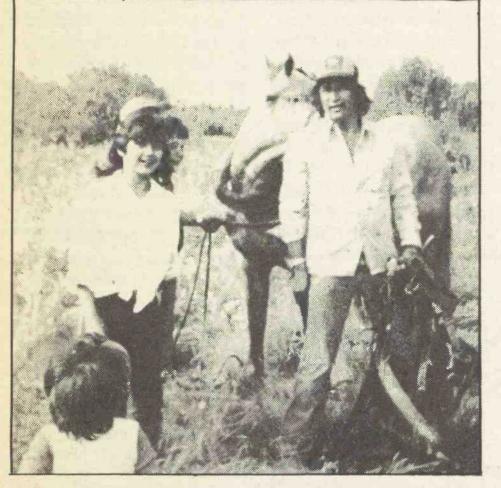
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ROMEO CARDINAL (right) — taught youngsters

to harness horses.

people didn't have a form of recreation in the summer. So Larry Big Charles and Madeline Chalifoux from Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) in High Prairie organized the trip from meal planning to organizing the event. there, Raymond Supernault, and Larry shot a moose each so the voungsters got a first hand experience at skinning, guartering and cleaning a moose. Eliza showed them how to make dry meat. She also did most of the cooking and

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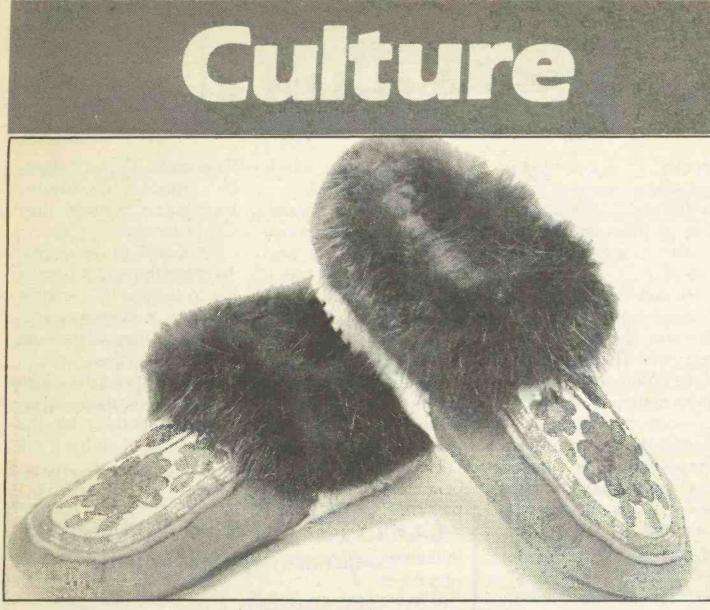
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translator was needed to

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she had entered in the

Native footwear competi-

"Really good!" was her

initial reaction to the news.

When asked how she

would spend the money,

Sabourin told the translator

she will buy a skidoo for her

husband of 40 years in

order to help him get

around their traplines a

She explained she's been

trapping for minks, martens,

muskrat and beavers all her

life, has no formal education

and when she's not out on

the traplines, she and her

husband reside in a senior

citizen's home in Fort

producing craftwork since

she was 13-years old. These

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Providence.

TORONTO - The winner of Canada's first international Native footwear competition sponsored by the Canadian Native Arts Foundation (CNAF) and the Bata Shoe Museum Foundation (BSMF) is a 60year old Slavey woman who has been making moccasins since she was 13-years old.

She and other winners of 'The Decorated Moccasin. an International Competition and Exhibition' were selected from close to 200 entries received from across Canada and throughout the United States. The winners will share over \$6,000 being awarded in cash prizes. Their work was judged on strict adherence to the traditional footwear styles and techniques of the tribe. band or nation of the craftsperson.

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skills, she says, were passed down to her by her mother.

Sabourin's moccasins were made of smoked inform her she had just won home-tanned moosehide, decorated with dyed porcupine quills and trimmed with home-tanned beaver fur.

> Ralph "Ted" Coe, chairman of the jury, is a former art museum director of the Nelsen Gallery, Montana. He is an art history graduate from Yale University. Curator of two major North American Indian art exhibitions, "Traditions Lost and Found" and "Sacred Circles," he believes the work submitted for The Decorated Moccasin is "every bit as good as the work produced hundreds of years ago."

> "Native people in both Canada and the United States should be proud such finely executed traditional work was submitted," says the whitehaired historian, "and that such a high quality artistic standard was maintained. In the best instances," he continues, "meticulous attention was given to the cutting of patterns, quill flattening design, bead sorting, stitching and the major use of home-tanning and sinew."

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DROPPIN IN

By Rocky Woodward

H i! Play it again Sam! I understand on Sept. 12, a barbecue dinner will be held at the Canadian Native Friendship Centre in honor of the past president of the Metis

Association of Alberta, Sam Sinclair. Sam, after eight years of leading us Metis through some of our most bitter times, I think you really do deserve this type of relaxed recognition.

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ASSUMPTION: Lornie Metchooyeah tells me that a gathering in Fort Ray, NWT took place recently and the Assumption Drum group attended for the first time.

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Barbecue to honor Sam Sinclair

Lornie.

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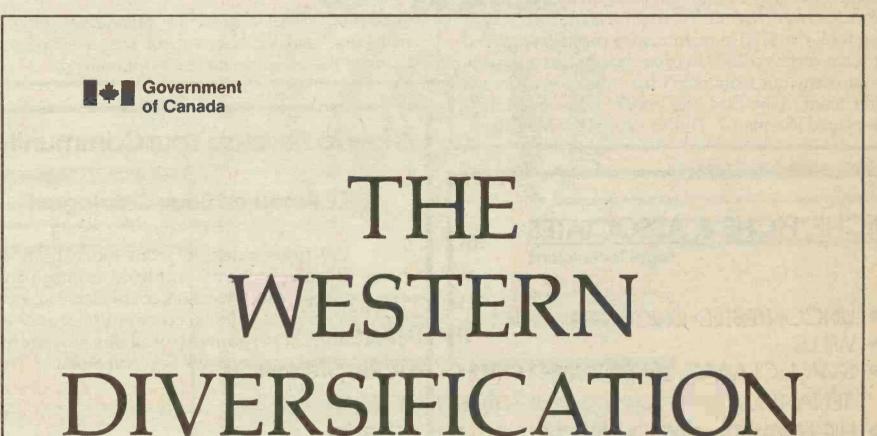
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Kim writes:

How's it going? Weather's great and the country is beautiful. Heading for Idaho today. I've got tonnes of pictures. See ya all soon!

Rub it in Kim. Actually the postcard Kim sent was bought with government expenses. He's been in jail for four weeks. Got cha Kim!

Just kidding Kim. Have a good time. That goes for everyone have a safe weekend.



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SPORTS ROUNDUP

By Margaret Desjarlais

i! Sports fans. It looks like this column is mine for good. Sounds like fun, especially the "sports lingo" part of it. A bit of help and guidance from my co-workers is sure helpful.

Did you know that some major baseball and football leagues are being offered AIDS testing on a volunteer basis? Yep, the Texas Rangers and Indiana Pacers of the NBA are the first pro teams outside the NFL to announce they will offer testing for AIDS. I wonder what the future has in store for amateurs like us regarding AIDS?

On with sports.

GIBBONS: The 1st Annual Modified Slow Pitch Tournament sponsored by the Edmonton Night Hawks held last weekend saw the city's Auto Tech and Windspeaker teams vy for first place on the A division. The victory went to Auto Tech with a final score of 10-1. They took the \$700 in prize money plus a trophy and our team received \$500 in prize money and a trophy. We can't say our team didn't try -- they were a much better team. Like Bert, our coach, said, "Even their girls played like men." To this day, Mark McCallum,

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Auto Tech wins big at modified tourney

one of our players who wasn't even at the tourney, has a difficult time grasping what we accomplished. "It's pretty amazing," he says.

The sponsoring team, Night Hawks, captured first place against Amity House of Kikino on the B side with a final score of 15-11. The Night Hawks received \$435 in prize money plus a trophy and Amity House took \$300 and a trophy.

On the C side, the Red Diamond House Restaurant and Pink Panthers, both Edmonton teams, came in first and second respectively. The final score was 13-4. RDHR received \$325 in prize money with a trophy and Pink Panthers \$200 plus a trophy.

The most valuable player award went to Sid Wosnak, pitcher for Auto Tech.

Many of the teams admitted they haven't played modified slow pitch before and stated they really enjoy the game which is much more faster than the regular slow pitch.

Noel, Cardinal one of the organizing committee members, said the tournament was a success and thanked the participating teams for coming.

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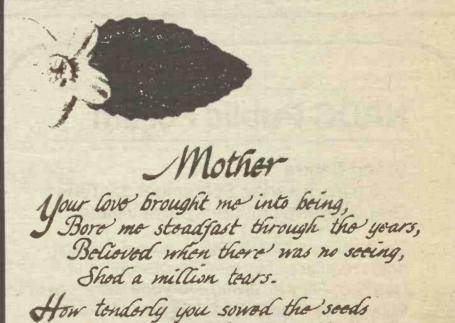
EDMONTON: The Canadian Native Friendship Centre will be holding a lightweight boxing card Sept. 25, says Gordon Russel, recreation director. The 10bout card will consist of boxers from Alberta. Proceeds will go to United Way.

If you are interested in joining the girl's volleyball team, boxing or karate classes, call Gordon at 482-6051. HOBBEMA: The Four Band Invitational Track meet was held here Aug. 19. Teams from Enoch, Blood and Hobbema entered with approximately 60 competitors.

The Hobbema Recreation Departments would like to thank all the competitors, staff and volunteers who helped. They would like to continue having these meets and hope to have more success next year.

BLOOD RESERVE: The Kainai Native Sons held a 10-team double knockout fastball tournament last weekend in Standoff, says John Heavy Shoes, minor sports worker. The Hobbema Cowboys captured the championship over Blood Reserve Warriors. The score was 6-1 in the final game. Elmer Anderson (Hobbema Cowboys) received the most valuable player and best batting average awards.

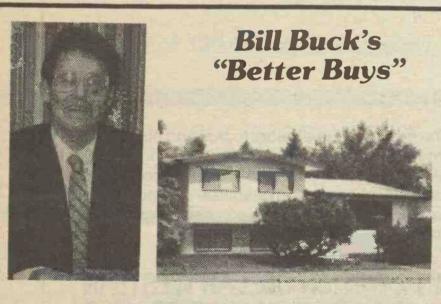
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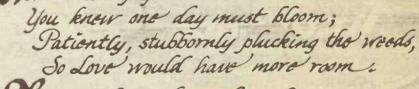
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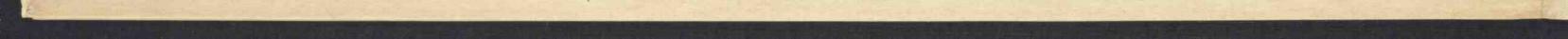
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Author 'digs deep' to profile athletes for book

By Mark McCallum

Did you know Tonto, the Lone Ranger's better half, played lacrosse?

Actor Gary Smith or Jay Silver Heels as he's known on stage, is only one of the interesting Native athletes included in a new book called "To Run With Longboat."

The book features



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prominent and lesserknown Native athletes and will be available in book stores in October thanks to publisher Gary Zeman.

Zeman saw the need for the book after creating the book "Alberta on Ice," which had a small section on Native hockey players.

The Alberta-based publisher says the reaction to the two pages of material on these athletes was so great, he decided to dig deeper.

Zeman came up with 12 athletes and hired writer Brenda Zeman (his sister) to write chapter length stories on each of them.

The author travelled about 40,000 miles from the Northwest Territories to France and more than a hand full of places in between gathering material. "To Run With Longboat" will be much more than a book of sports statistics and trophies; it will take an



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indepth look into the lives of the sporting greats.

"The stories are all true and include the personal side of the athletes' lives,

what they have encountered and what it takes to be a winner," explained Zeman.

The book begins with Tom Longboat, the Olympic gold medalist who gained legendary status at the turn of the century. Many athletes still set standards by his accomplishments in distance running. He is immortalized by the Tom Longboat Award given to the top Canadian Native athlete of the year.

Some stories in the 250page plastic soft cover book intertwine as athletes of the day competed

against each other. Paul Accose, for example, was a strong rival to Longboat when they ran distance races against each other.

A variety of other sports are included and complemented by other celebrated athletes as the book unfolds.

"Indian" Jack Jacobs is still fondly remembered in Winnipeg where he quarterbacked the Blue Bombers in the early 50s. Zeman says, "the present Winnipeg Stadium is still known as 'the house that Jack built.'" Fred Sasakamoose played

in the National Hockey League (NHL) for the Chicago Black Hawks and "had a slapshot that could compare with (NHLer) Bobby Hull's shooting."

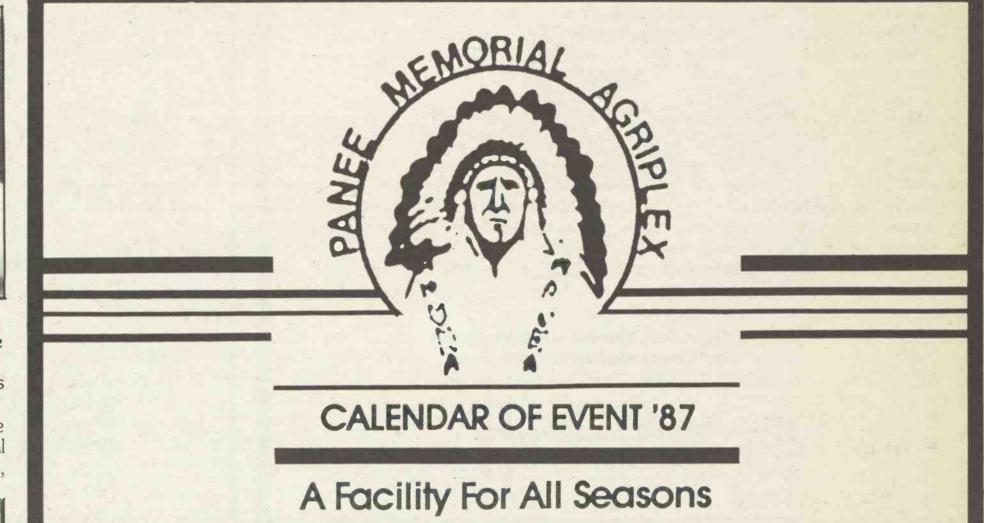
The book also includes modern day stars such as Mic Mac Native, Everett Sanipass, picked in the first round of the 1986 NHL draft by the Black Hawks.

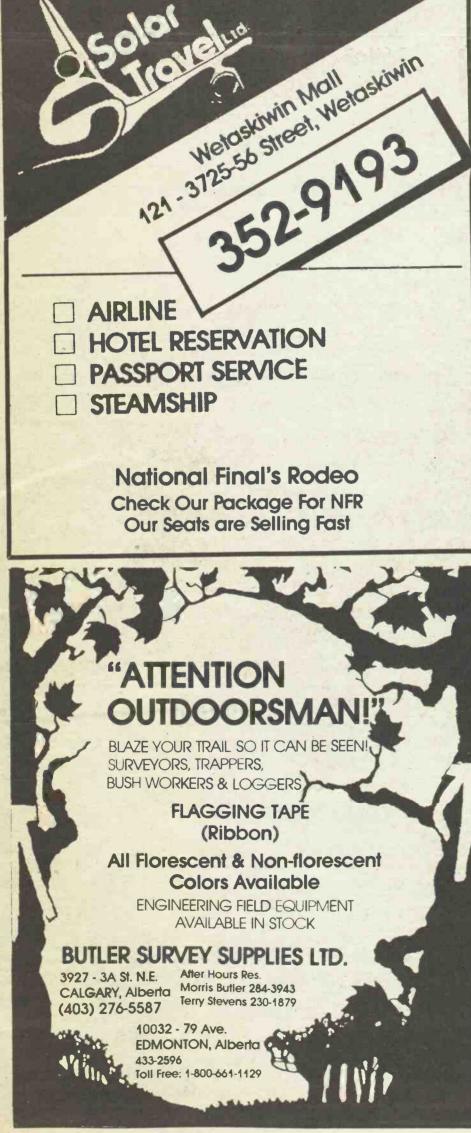
Alwyn Morris won a gold medal in the 1984 Olympics for his effort in the 1,000 metre two-man kayak event. For this and his work for the National Native Alcohol and Drug

Abuse Program he was an easy selection for the book.

Other athletes include boxer Roger Adolph, calf roping champ Jim Gladstone, ace pitcher Jim Rattle Snake and lacrosse extraordinary Ross Powless. The last chapter is devoted to the Firth twins, Sharon and Shirley, who are "two of Canada's best cross country skiers."

If you can't find the book in stores, Zeman says copies can be obtained by writing to GMS² Ventures Inc., P.O. Box 8391, Stn. F, Edmonton, AB T6H 4W6.





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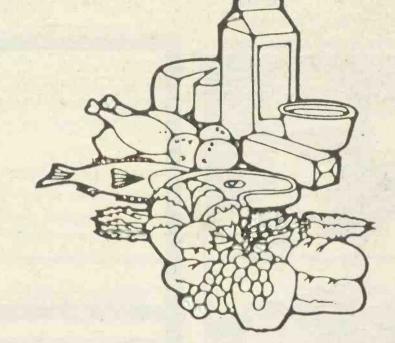
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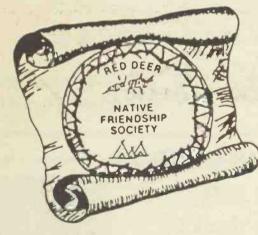


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