

Title III To Say Goodbye

by Eleanor Carltikoff

Title 3 is leaving Chemawa this coming June. Title 3 is one of the title programs 1-6, dealing with education. The title programs are funded by the Federal Government.

The program has been active in Brewer Hall, the freshman boys dorm. It has been sort of traditional to start new programs and work on new ideas at Brewer Hall.

The Title 3 staff include, Mr. Steve Mannenbach, Education Coordinator, Mr. Rick Ponte, Mr. Blake Davidson, and Mr. Dan Reynolds, Counseling Group Leaders, Mrs. Ardith Ralston, Project Secretary, and Mr. Leo B. Henry, N.I.P.S. (Native Initiated Programs for Students) Editor and Consultant and social worker at Chemawa.

The Title 3 Native Initiated Program for students has introduced many activities over the last two years.

Title 3 was given a three year phase, mainly to show progress which benefitted the students. The first year was the planning, second was carrying out plans, and the third year is sort of carrying out plans as well as ending the program.

In planning the program the staff in Title 3 collected statements from students as well as parents. Many of the activities at Chemawa were established as a result of Native ideas being seriously listened to, appraised, developed and used in planning this program.

Although there maybe another Title 3 program started next year, it probably won't be the same.

Some of the activities that will no longer be on campus when this program ends are the Functional Rodeo Club, Developmental Counseling Program based on the specific needs of individual students), field trips to the Portland B.I.A. Area Office and to Tribal Council meetings, regularly scheduled counseling on cultural films in the dorm each week, a Program Newsletter, (put out by the dorm to keep home areas, parents, and the campus aware of activities in Title 3), rifle shooting, snowmobiling, skeet-shooting, cross-country skiing, Indian foods cooking classes, and parent and student conferences on campus.

Many of the Title's activities have been co-educational and many students from all the dorms have part-

icipated in them.

Mr. Steve Mannenbach said, "We in N.I.P.S. have tried to always offer many varied learning experience activities so students never have a chance to be bored."

Leaving with the Title 3 program is the majority of the staff in Title 3 - unless they are picked up in the regular program here at the school. Approached with the subject that this may happen to a few of the Title 3 staff was Mr. Leo B. Henry, but he said, "Nothing's definite."

When I spoke with some of the program's staff who may be leaving Chemawa, they emphasized that they enjoyed their work here and would miss all the students very much.

"The voice of the Native People created this program, and its success has proven their wisdom," said Steve Mannenbach.

Students Attend Colville Session

by Bonnie James

Title III program students attended another tribal council meeting April 10 with Mr. Steve Mannenbach at the Colville Reservation. Their previous trip was to the Warm Springs meeting.

The Title III students are going to these meetings to see for themselves how the tribal councils settle their problems relating to land matters, money, loans that weren't paid back, and also the rights of the Indians on the Reservations.

The Colville meeting began at 9:05 and was called to order by Chairman Eddie Palmanteer, Jr. Mr. Mannenbach was introduced and explained the purpose of our attending the meetings and how they help the students.

The students were then introduced by name and tribe. The girls attending were Sabrina Reyes-Colville and Bonnie James-Skokomish. Mrs. Scissons from Winona Hall came to chaperone. The boys were Don Abrahamson and John Monaghan-Colville, Richard Mercurief-Aleut and Pat Trader-Eskimo.

The meeting opened with a lot of debate and argument, but after lunch things seemed to cool off. The tribal council treated the Chemawa and Omak visitors to lunch.

The council resumed again at one, and we talked with the Super-



Gotta pull together—Mrs. Azure and Lloyd Vincent strain against the rope during the May Day tug-of-war. (Photo by Chester Frankson)

intendent of the Colville Agency, Mike P. Whitelaw. He explained the services that the B.I.A. provides to the tribe. As superintendent he has 110 B.I.A. people working for him. He said that two-thirds of these people are Indians.

We also learned that the Colvilles have made a lot of progress. The tribe is equipped with vocational schools for Colvilles to get good, highpaying jobs. This has been underway for eight months now.

"I'd say we're ahead of Yakima and behind Warm Springs," said Mr. Whitelaw. He said that the Colvilles have over a million acres of land and are the second largest reservation, behind the Navajos.

The size of the tribal council varies from tribe to tribe, depending on how large they are. The Colville Council has 14 members. Half of them come up for re-election every two years. Election is by ballot and any tribal member over 18 can vote.

The present Colville Tribal Council members are Eddie Palmanteer, Jr. (Chairman), Joseph A. Kohler (Vice-Chairman), Lucy Covington (Secretary), Shirley Palmer, Al Aubertin, Barbara Marchand, Dave Stensgar, Bamey Pickard, Roy Seyler, Virginia Andrews, Andy Joseph, George Meusy, Hank George Mel Tonasket.