



BILL BARFIELD TO GRADUATE FROM OTI IN JUNE; PLANS RELOCATION

Graduating this June from his body and fender course at OTI will be William "Bill" Barfield. Bill began his course in Sept., 1955 under the Klamath Education Program after a tour of duty in the service, where he gained considerable experience in mechanical and sheet metal work.

The course Bill is taking is a popular one as far as Klamath students are concerned, since there are five other tribal members besides Bill enrolled in Body and Fender at OTI. They study all aspects of the body and fender trade, including acetylene welding, front-end alignment, wheel balance, auto painting, etc., as well as a number of allied subjects useful in the trade, such as small business management and industrial relations. Much of the body and fender course is devoted to shop work where the students get on-the-job training working on their own cars. Bill also gets considerable experience as well as some handy remuneration by working after school hours for the W. D. Miller construction Co. in Klamath Falls painting cars and trucks.

Bill's plans after graduation are pretty definite. He plans to go to the San Francisco area under the auspices of the relocation program to find a job in a body shop. Bill states that such jobs have been plentiful in that area and generally offer between \$2.00 and \$2.25 per hour as a start.

Bill is enthused about the relocation program, stating that

they will pay his transportation, trailer rent if he uses a trailer to haul his belongings, and one month's subsistence until he draws his first paycheck. He adds that they will also assist in locating housing and a suitable job, if he so desires. Bill points out: "I was planning on going there anyway, and am glad to have them finance it and help with employment."

Regarding termination of federal supervision over the Klamath reservation, Bill feels that it's difficult to determine just what's going on at the present time, indicating: "There's so many different stories. In some ways it seems fair to the Indians. In other ways,-----?"

However, Bill was convinced that regardless of the outcome of the termination proceedings, education will be a very useful tool to those who have it.

"Some Indians that don't have an education if they're just turned loose will have no means of supporting themselves. On older ones and some of the younger ones who haven't attempted to get an education for themselves the law may work a hardship."

Showing his daughter's painting to an obviously confused friend, the proud father announced, "She's studied abroad, you know."

"Ah, that explains it," cried the friend. "I've never seen a sunset like that in this country."

Tribal Members Take Training Under Relocation

Eight Klamath Tribal members have recently been placed in training under the federal relocation program. The names of the new relocatees, their courses and areas of relocation are as follows: Florence Chester, Power Sewing, Denver; Carl Crain, Barbering, Denver; Dallas Decker, Aircraft mechanics, Denver; Hawley Hood, Bookkeeping, Denver; Mary McNair, Cosmetology, Denver; Jettie Merritt, Stenography, Denver; Ora Marie Strom, Education, Redlands University, Redlands, California.

Anyone interested in learning more about the relocation program is invited to contact Mr. Leonard Allen, Relocation Officer, at his office at 434 Main St., Klamath Falls, Oregon.

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lon thinks that these trips are as valuable as classwork in gaining the know-how and experience necessary for running a farm.

After graduating in June of next year, Marlon wants to get into farming for himself as soon as possible. He already owns 160 acres in the Sprague River area and plans to acquire more land later.

Marlon states that the Klamath Education Program has been helpful in getting him started towards farming on his own. He points out: "I probably would never have gone to school if this bill wasn't in effect. The GI bill doesn't offer enough and a guy would be dropping out for lack of money."

As for the coming election to be held for tribal members giving them an opportunity to decide whether they want to remain in or withdraw from the tribe, Marlon had this to say: "The last I read on the termination law, I'd just as soon stay in. The big reason is the hunting and fishing rights." Marlon also figures right now that withdrawing members may not come out too well financially and that he might be better off remaining in the tribe.

On the idea of federal purchase of the reservation, he states. "I could never figure it out why the federal government doesn't go ahead and buy it and then they could sell it or conserve it or make anything they want out of it. The way they plan on selling it is a kind of a shaky deal, it seems like."

BUSINESS SCHOOL TO OPEN IN K.F.

Robertson School of Business in Medford has announced plans for opening a branch school in Klamath Falls on July 8. The new school will be in operation at 411 Main St. and will offer the following commercial courses:

Speedwriting Shorthand
Gregg Shorthand
Letter Writing
Business Law
Spelling and Vocabulary Building
Accounting I
Accounting II
Typing
Business English
Business Mathematics
Business Machines
Filing and Indexing
Office Practice

Both day and night courses will be offered and students may enroll under any of three programs:

- (1) Clerk Typist
- (2) Stenographic
- (3) Selective

Representatives of the school will be available at 411 Main St. in Klamath Falls on May 25 and June 8 for pre-enrollment and consultation.

Interested tribal members are invited to contact the Klamath Education office to discuss the possibility of enrolling at this new school.

Klamath Education Progress Discussed

Eleven tribal members and the staff of the Klamath Education program met at the home of H. Zakoji on May 6th to discuss the progress and problems of the education program.

Mr. Zakoji explained that the purpose of the meeting was to have tribal members help evaluate the progress of the program and to assist in laying plans for its improvement.

Members of the education office gave brief reports of their work, the progress they've made and the problems they've encountered. The meeting was thrown open to a general discussion by tribal members who offered many sound suggestions and criticisms.

It is hoped, said Zakoji, that the group will meet periodically as an advisory body to the education program. The next meeting has been scheduled for May 20, at 7 P. M. at Zakoji's apartment in back of the Education Office in Chiloquin. Any tribal members interested in discussing these educational matters are invited to attend.