



PATRICK SHELPH, ACTIVE WITHDRAWEE, IN ELECTRONICS TECH COURSE AT OTI

Commencing his second term in the electronics technology course at OTI is Patrick Shelp, high school educated at Trinity County High School, Weaverville, Calif.

Between high school and OTI Pat put in 4 years in the Air Force, 2 of which were spent acquiring a strong electronics background. He went to air force electronics school and later travelled for a year and one-half with a mobile training unit overseas, teaching field courses. Pat regards the training he got as of very good quality and a big help in further pursuing the field.

In his training so far at OTI Pat has taken physics, math, algebra, electronics lab and theory, and English. Sizing up the course:

"I think it's a pretty well-grounded course in theory. It sends you out well - armed for theory in this field. I believe it does a good job keeping up with new trends in industry."

While those taking the course have an option of going into Radio-TV service work, Pat says graduates are equipped to aspire considerably higher.

"This course is designed to put out technicians who are just below electronics engineers. You need 6 electronics technicians for every engineer in industry."

OTI has no trouble placing its graduates, he claims, the school being highly regarded in the electronics industry.

Once finished with the basic course, Pat plans to go on for a

third year to specialize. He has a considerable interest in microwave and wave propagation work. Once done he sees research as a field he'd like to get into. Getting admitted to the third year of work, Pat says, will require at least a B average, but with his grades this term at about that level he figures he can do it. He admits to some trouble with allied courses, such as English, as having been out of high school for several years, but is rapidly re-familiarizing himself.

Pat's activities consist mainly in tribal ones. He was recently elected a member of the Director's Committee for the withdrawees' affairs and expounds a number of views.

On the full, \$10,000 loans (proposed): "I think they would be beneficial in almost any case because some of the people are in financial trouble, need money now. Others would use the money for investment purposes. One main objection outsiders have for loaning is that they feel the money might be invested unwisely. However, quite a few people have investment experience. For those that don't this will give them experience in handling money without hurting them. It would be very valuable when the final settlement is made."

On tribal reorganization, a lively topic at this time, Pat opines:

"The thing that's hurt the members more than anything else hasn't been opposition from the

RESPONSIBILITIES OF INDIAN YOUTH IS SUBJECT OF TALK BY PUEBLO STUDENT

Editors' Note:

Appearing in the January, 1958, issue of the Newsletter of the Southwestern Ass'n on Indian Affairs was a speech given by Beryl Spruce, Pueblo pre-medical student, at the first regional Indian Youth Council held at the University of New Mexico on May 10 and 11, 1957.

Beryl presided at the opening session and according to the

outside so much as a lack of strength in the members through not being organized.

"In reorganizing our main purpose is to achieve two things:

1. Strength of unity.
2. Recognition by state and national legislatures and other persons or agencies having decisions to make affecting the withdrawees.

"The legislature now isn't considering what the withdrawees want even though a majority of them agree."

Pat feels that recent withdrawees' meetings have been fruitful. However, he observes that there are a few members who haven't been attending, due to discouragement, and announces the withdrawing group needs their support.

Pat considers that the directors' committee has been "instrumental in initiating organization of the whole group":

"Our main thought is to keep from having a lot of splinter groups within the withdrawing group."

Pointing up the need for organization:

"All of the plans that have been brought up to help the withdrawing group get the \$10,000 loan have been blocked by a lack of organization and representation of the withdrawing members. We initiate a lot of things to benefit the withdrawees that don't get any farther than the executive-committee."

On the reappraisal:

"I feel it's too low. I hate to see the value of a brithright affected by a temporary drop in the lumber market. Recently some timber prices are going up. It just so happened that we got our last appraisal at a low point. It was just a matter of time."

Further, Pat believes the reappraisal will adversely affect the remainees:

"The value of the withdrawees' property will set a precedent for real estate values for property in that area so that a low realization value now will hurt the remaining member just as much as the withdrawing members."

newsletter "was preparing for final examinations and a medical aptitude test, had been studying long hours at night, and had been unable to prepare a speech or write an outline." The newsletter states that the impact of this tape recorded speech on the 200 Indian student delegates can best be described as "terrific." This speech has created a favorable impression among local readers of the Newsletter, and one reader, Dibbon Cook, executive secretary, has requested that the speech be published in the Tribune so that more people will have an opportunity to read it.

The editors of the Tribune have been given permission by the Association to print this fine speech, major portions of which appear below. The Indian Youth Council is sponsored each year by the Association of Indian Affairs as part of its work in behalf of Indian Education. Talks are prepared and given by Indian college students, members of the Kiva Club and the University of New Mexico. Interest increased in these conferences and the Youth Council was expanded to include high school and college students from New Mexico, Arizona, Colorado and Utah.

Charles E. Minton, executive-secretary of the Southwestern Ass'n. on Indian Affairs, has informed the editors that the Third Regional Indian Youth Council will be held at Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah, on April 23 - 25, 1959. He states that Klamath students and tribal leaders are encouraged to attend this conference. Any such persons interested in attending should contact the Klamath Education Office, which will make the necessary arrangements with the Association.

Excerpts of the Speech Presented To the First Regional Youth Council

by Beryl Spruce

Everybody has problems and as Indians maybe we have more than other people. We have problems with our cultural environment, problems with our physical environment. Our corn doesn't grow the way we want it to grow, sometimes. The rain doesn't fall when we want it to fall. Things don't happen the way we want them to happen.

Some people are prejudiced against us because we are Indians. We have problems when we come to school because of language difficulties and because we are not able to integrate.

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