

Executive Committee Activities

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vation community will not be a new experience for the American Friends Service Committee. The Committee will be remembered for the work it did during the past two summers when its representatives, Art and Helen Currier, conducted two highly successful recreation programs. AFSC officials have announced that if successful in securing qualified staff, the Service Committee will assist the Recreation Council in conducting another recreation program again this summer.

The responsibilities of the Gulleys, however, will encompass much more than recreation, according to AFSC officials. They will be involved in the broader area of community development, and their program may include assistance in such matters as educational guidance, improvement of community relations, development of economic potentials, etc.

The decision of the AFSC to launch its year round, community development program was in response to a resolution passed by the tribal executive committee on April 29, 1960, as well as to requests of other organizations and individuals. The resolution "urgently requested" that such a program be undertaken because of the "guidance and assistance" the Klamath Indian people will need during the crucial adjustment period following termination. The Committee felt that the AFSC could provide such assistance because that organization "has rendered sincere and constructive service to many people all over the world, and has demonstrated this ability and sincerity on the Klamath Indian Reservation in their summer recreation programs during 1958 and 1959."

Direct Distribution Resolved At April 29 Meeting

On April 29, the Executive Committee unanimously adopted a resolution requesting the Bureau of Indian Affairs "to pay over to the individual members of the Klamath Indian Tribe their pro-rata share of any monies on hand for distribution at the present time; and that such distribution be made directly to the individual members without any deductions or set-offs on account of existing loans from the Indian revolving fund, for which the individual members of the tribe may be now indebted, saving such deduction or offset for some future distribution which will be larger and better able to absorb the amounts owed."

Another resolution to employ the services of F. Darold Windsor and George P. Haley for the "specific purpose of recovering from the party or parties liable for the loss and damage to tribal property as a result of a fire on the Klamath Indian Reservation in October of 1959," was voted to be referred to the General Council.

In a letter dated May 4, 1960, and read at the executive committee meeting on May 19, Lewis A. Stanley, the State Engineer, announced that "I have already issued the permit to International Paper Company." The permit gives the company the right to appropriate water from the Williamson river. Although the Executive Committee had expressed the thought that "perhaps the water requirements for this paper plant should be obtained from wells," it was the State Engineer's "opinion that there is ample water to supply the requirements and the paper company has given us firm assurance that there will be adequate treatment of and disposal of the effluents from the mill so that there will be no pollution problem."

State Forestry Report Heard

The major part of the meeting on May 19 was taken up by an informative report by representatives of the State Board of Forestry, Bob Madsen District Warden, and Hank Davies, assistant warden.

Madsen and Davies covered in detail such matters as the following: the authority and responsibility of the state forestry department, fire protection, the use of state-owned and Indian Service equipment, the hiring of local people in the department, assessment for fire patrol, and "the farm forestry-ACP program of assistance to those private landowners who wish to manage their timber land." (The reader is referred to page 4, column 1, and the June issue of the Tribune for the full text of this report).

BIA Conference Reported

Boyd Jackson and Delford Lang submitted a written report of their conference with Bureau officials at the Area Office in Portland on May 9. According to their report, the Assistant Area Director "advised (1) that resolutions adopted by the Executive Committee" on behalf of the withdrawing members to expedite the sale of tribal property to the federal government "had received immediate action by the

Agency Sale Slated For August 25; Many Buildings Listed

An invitation for bids on Building Parcel A was issued May 26 by the tribal sales office. Building Parcel A is the Klamath Agency—buildings and grounds. The invitation specifies the parcel to comprise 101.6 acres, more or less. Buildings offered for sale include the administration building, hospital, tribal hall (and garage), club building (and garage), nurses' home (and garages), radio shack, cabin, several sheds, shops, garages, warehouses and storage buildings, dwelling (and garages and shed), and some 30 cottages. Also listed are the tennis court and the concrete reservoir. The telephone, water, and sewer systems of the parcel are also described.

According to the invitation bids will be received until and opened at 10:00 a. m., August 25, 1960. Inspection of the buildings is by appointment only on Tuesdays and Wednesdays between 1:00 p. m. and 4:00 p. m. by contacting Mr. Noble Sanderville, Property Management Officer, Klamath Agency, Ore.

Area Office, and forwarded to Washington, D. C. Office." "To date," their report continued, "no information had been received as to any moves or actions that the Interior Departments at Washington, D. C. are planning to recommend to Congress." As to the distribution of available loan funds, Jackson and Lang were told that "unless advised otherwise, offsets would be made." The report indicated that the Area Office has offered to provide a "status report" to the June 9 General Council. At that time, it was added, the Area Office "would also pass along such information as may be received" from Washington, D. C. regarding the committee resolutions of May 17.

In accordance with the Constitution and By-Laws the Executive Committee scheduled a General Council meeting to be held on Thursday, June 9, at 10 A. M. at the General Council House. Jackson and Cook were designated by unanimous consent to prepare a full agenda for the council.

A program "in commemoration of our treaty of 1864" was suggested by S. E. Kirk who recommended that "members of the committee think and work to this end to bring about such a commemoration."

Stock Move Makes Way for Hay

Continuing to move ahead is the cattle production program conducted by the U.S. National Bank as trustee for the remaining members.

One-hundred thirteen calves are reported in the 1960 calf crop, all of which were branded and vaccinated May 19. The calf crop increased the total herd to 660 head.

Something new in tribal herd management was initiated May 28 when the calves, 138 cows and heifers, and the bulls were taken to the Three Creeks area for summer pasture. This stock will graze on a 700-acre field in the Three-Creeks vicinity, reserved from leasing and recently fenced by trust employees, for about 90 days (June, July, August). More important, however, is what will be going on back at the Agency Farm. With much of the herd at Three Creeks some 300 acres of quality land at Agency Farm will be available for hay production. Only the north field at Agency Farm will be under pasture this summer, with 350 steers grazing on it. (Pasturing this field is also a new step as it was formerly leased out each season.)

Explaining the new procedure, John Merritt of the trust staff states: "We're trying to equalize summer and winter feed. That's what we accomplish in going to Three Creeks."

"By moving the cows and calves to Three Creeks for 90 days we can hay all the area on the Agency Farm we had formerly been pasturing. We will get the hay off in August. Then there's all kinds of pasture again, clear up till the snows."

Underscoring the need for hay is the bank's plan of buying more steers this winter. As Merritt explains, the bank's main problem is to "harvest enough hay this summer so we can buy some more steers. Those in the north pasture all go to market October 1. If we can get enough hay we can get some more steers. We want to buy steers in December, January, February, to get good stock and prices. That means you have to have enough hay for 90 days. If you buy in May, it is too late for good buys."

Three Creeks is rated as good pasture, particularly for the cows where the main goal isn't putting on the beef. The abundance of clover at Agency Farm makes that the choice place to fatten the steers.

R. H. Lung, trust officer, also reports that a \$400 per capita distribution for remaining members is slated for June 15.