

Indian Press Seminar

A mass media for Indian publishers, editors, reporters, and radio-telecass personnel had one of the first meetings on May 20-21, 1976, at Bemidji, Minnesota. It was sponsored by the Indian Studies department of Bemidji State University, and also included the Minnesota Chippewa Tribes, the Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians, and the Minnesota Indian Affairs Board.

This was to serve two purposes: to acquaint and attract the younger students to the newspaper field, and it also brought together a number of Indians working in the field of communication for the first time in several years.

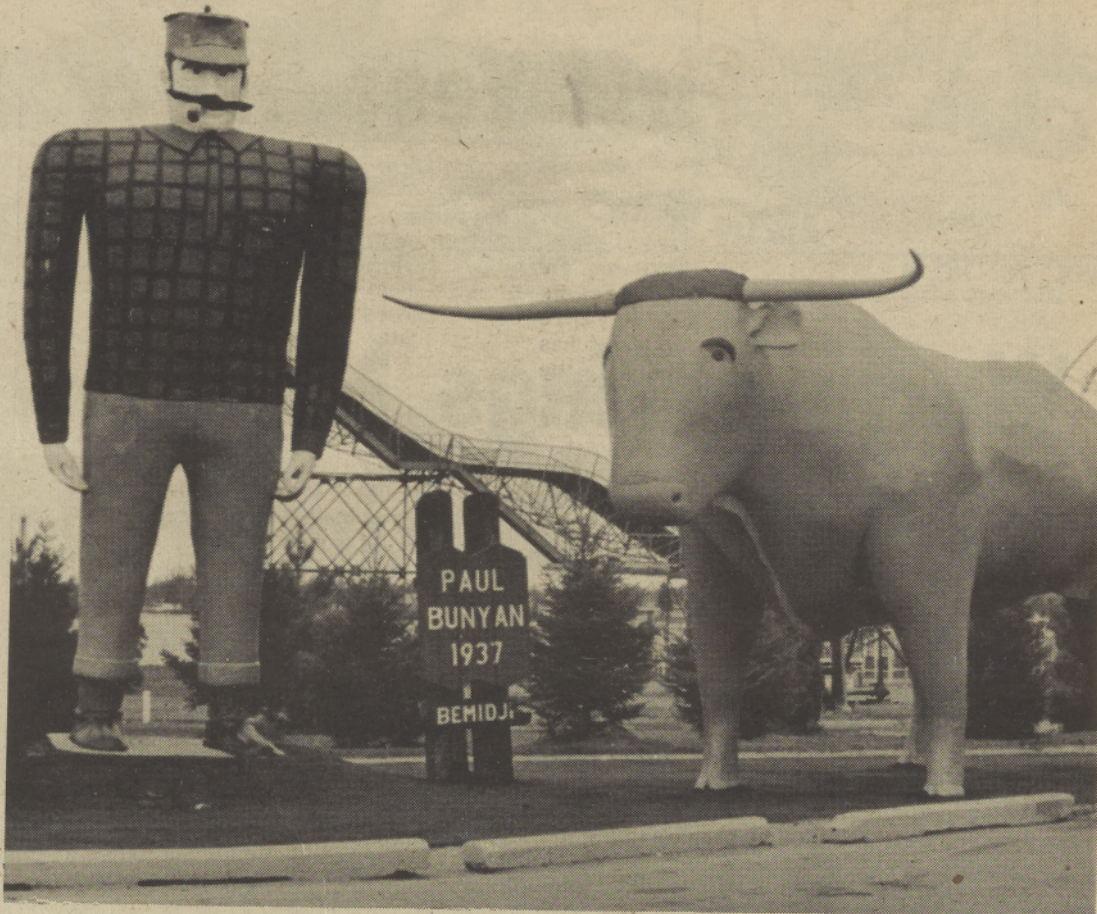
Rupert Castro, editor of one of the leading Indian newspapers in the country, "Was-saja", was the guest speaker at the noon luncheon on Thursday. Indian newspapers are small in comparison to the rest of the nation's papers. There is

no daily Indian paper anywhere in the U.S. and there won't be for years to come. But with functions such as this, we may not become the largest paper, but we should improve our methods and style, and become more recognized in the future years.

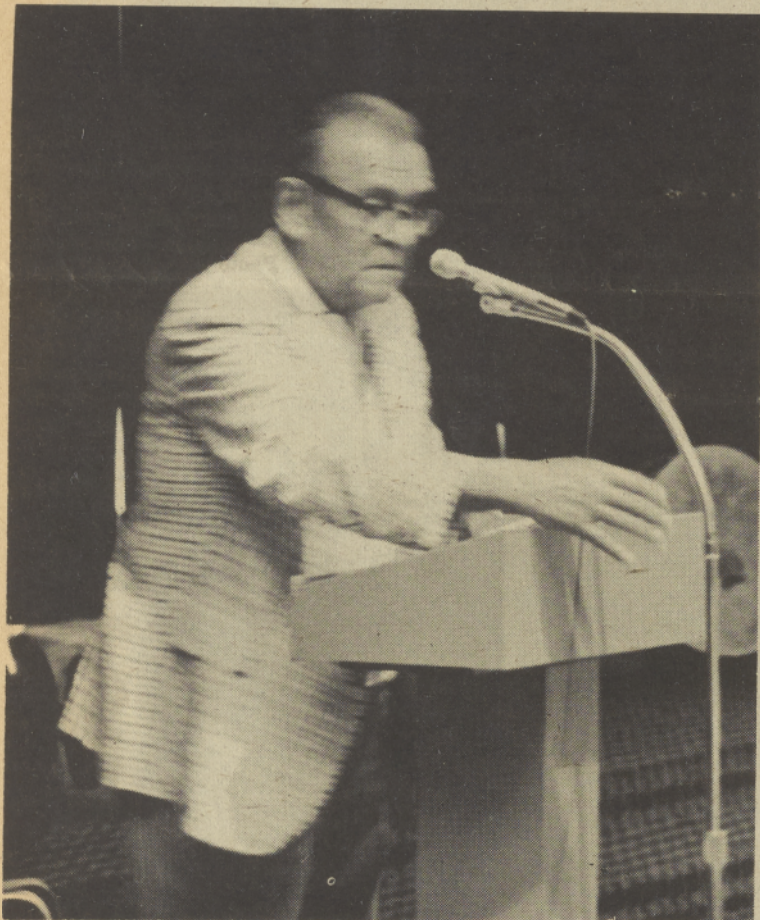
During the sessions that took place, various individuals gave presentations which related to his line of work with the newspaper. They included: ads, headlines, good catchy cut-lines, layouts, the body copy, etc.

It's important to use good eye-catching leads in articles used in the paper. Headlines are important. Print facts with accuracy and never mislead your readers.

The interest was high, and intelligent questions were posed by the younger students. There is much more to putting out a paper than one realizes. A reporter interviews the in-



IN BEMIDJI, MINNESOTA, stands the statue of Paul Bunyan and his Ox. The story is, that as a child he was so large that his parents gave him this ox as a playmate.



RUPERT CASTRO, editor of the nationally known Indian paper "Wassaja", delivered the luncheon address at Bemidji State University during the Indian press seminar.

dividuals, puts things on paper and the general public will often believe this is all there is to putting out a paper. One does not realize this is just the beginning and it takes hours to assemble all the material, do the lay-out, produce a film of the paper before a plate is burned, and finally to the press which is a very interesting process.

Bemidji, Minnesota is a picturesque area with a multitude of lakes that draw tourists by the hundreds. They come for fishing, water skiing, and just boating. Also, it is the home of Paul Bunyan as the legends are told. Tourist trade seems to be very high in that area, as resorts of great numbers line the lake shores.

The Spilyay Tymoo editor,

attending the seminar, was amazed to see so many lakes around that area, and at times joked with individuals there as to why the "Gopher" was the State University symbol. It should be "Water Dogs", or something of that nature.

The trip was very meaningful and we have picked up pointers that will aid the Spilyay Tymoo.

Social Security Announcement

Women getting married should remember to tell the Social Security Administration about their new name, according to John Fullerton, Social Security representative in Central Oregon.

"In order to correct her social security card and keep her earnings record accurate and up-to-date, a bride should give us her new married name," Fullerton said, "then earnings she had both before and after her marriage can be correctly credited to the same record."

A woman's work and earn-

ings and jobs covered by social security build retirement, disability, survivors, and Medicare protection for herself and her family.

A new bride can call, write, or visit the Bend social security office to get her name changed on her record. "Forms are also available at all post offices and many personnel offices of employers," Fullerton said.

People who change their name because of divorce or for business or other reasons should also notify social security, Fullerton noted.

Jo Ann Smith elected

Jo Ann Smith of Warm Springs has been elected to the Assembly Committee on Minutes and Reports II at the 188th General Assembly (1976) of the United Presbyterian Church in the United States of America. The meeting was held at Baltimore, Md., on May 20, 1976, the "Spilyay Tymoo", learned. The Assembly, highest policy-making body of the 2.7 million member denomination, is in session at the Civic Center there.

The 23-member committee's responsibilities include reviewing the minutes of all agencies, boards, and councils which report to the General Assembly, and make recommendations to the full Assembly regarding the reports. Among the entities whose re-

ports will be reviewed by the committee are the General Assembly Mission Council and the three major mission entities of the church — the Program, Support and Vocation Agencies.

The Assembly is made up of about 685 commissioners (voting delegates elected by their fellow United Presbyterians in area governing units known as presbyteries) and will make major decisions regarding the ministry and mission of the denomination for the coming year. The meeting began May 18 and will continue through May 26.

The findings of the minutes and reports II Committee are due to be presented to the full Assembly May 25, it was noted.



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