

## Rain Spoils Raft Trip

According to reports, members of the Land Use Planning Committee, Fish and Wildlife Committee, and Tribal Council got soaked and nearly "froze to death" on a raft trip down the Deschutes Wednesday, May 19th.

The trip was conducted by Wah-Kee-Na Water Ventures in hopes of convincing the tribes to allow them to run raft trips for guests going to Kah-Nee-Ta Lodge. They were also attempting to find a good landing site, called "Whiskey Dick", for people going to Kah-Nee-Ta.

Wah-Kee-Na Water Ventures will have to receive permission by a vote of the Tribal Council, however, before they will be allowed to run any trips of this kind. They are currently negotiating with the Tribal Council to run the river trips.

The rafts were launched near the Highway 26 bridge

under fairly sunny skies. Tribal members who went on the excursion were: Geraldine Jim, Neda Greene, Harold Culpus, Delbert Frank, Cy Katchia, Orin Johnson, and Winnie Miller.

After stopping for lunch at Trout Creek, it reportedly began to pour. According to Winnie Miller, the guides did everything they could to make the rafters as comfortable as possible. "The rain ponchos helped a lot," she said.

Harold Culpus said, "It was a nice trip, but I nearly froze to death." He added that the trip really would have been enjoyable if the weather had cooperated. Cy Katchia simply said that it rained and his feet got cold. "Not only that," he said, "but the bus was late, too."

The intrepid rafters all agreed on one thing. The rain was miserable.



MEMBERS REPRESENTING the land use planning committee and the fish and wildlife committee began, what they thought would be a pleasant raft trip, near the Highway 26 bridge on the Deschutes. They ended up getting soaked in a very heavy downpour.

Photo by Sandy Rangila



When barbecuing, cook meat and poultry thoroughly, but slowly. Longer cooking over a low fire means less shrinkage and more thorough cooking. Let your fire burn down to glowing coals.



TRIBAL AND STATE POLICE route traffic around the accident which took the life of Jayson Minthorne last Friday. The truck was apparently in the process of passing the pickup when the vehicles collided at the Kah-Nee-Ta junction.

## Child Dies in Accident

A fatal accident involving a semi truck and trailer and a pickup with a canopy claimed the life of three year old Jason Minthorne of Warm Springs Friday at about 5:01 p.m.

The vehicles, which were both westbound, collided on Highway 26 at the Kah-Nee-Ta junction near milepost 103.3. Driver of the pickup (belonging to Virgil Orange) was Jason's aunt, Helen Minthorne, and the semi and trailer was driven by Floyd James Baird of Wrightwood, California.

Three other children, besides Jason, were riding in the rear of the pickup in the canopy. They were: Merle Kirk, age three; Jackie Min-

thorne, four, and June Minthorne, age five. They and Helen Minthorne were treated at the clinic for minor injuries and released.

According to the State Police, apparently the truck and trailer was in the process of passing the pickup, when the pickup made a left turn into the truck. Jason was thrown from the canopy, and it would appear, according to reports, that the child died instantly.

The accident is still under investigation by State Police, so no more details regarding the accident are available at this time.

Jason, who was born at Hood River, Oregon on Jan. 26,

1973, is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Minthorne of Warm Springs, and three sisters; June, Jackie, and Jaynette Minthorne.

He is also survived by his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Poitras of Tigard, and Mrs. Elsie Minthorne of Pendleton. His great-grandmother is Mrs. Annie Joe of Pilot Rock, Oregon.

Overnight services were conducted at the Warm Springs Longhouse Monday with Art and Bernice Mitchell and Rev. Allen Elston officiating. Jason was taken to Pendleton, Oregon to Burns Mortuary, after the longhouse services. Burial was at the Tutuilla Cemetery in Pendleton.

## Treaty Days Celebration

The 19th annual All Indian Rodeo Treaty Days celebration at White Swan, Washington, will be held on June 4, 5, and 6, 1976.

The rodeo events include saddle bronc, bareback, bull riding, cow milking, calf roping, team roping, bull dogging and girls barrel race. The entry fees will be \$25.00; the team roping fee is \$25.00 and limited to 48 entries. Slack in all timed events will run and start Friday night after the show. Order of position will be drawn for all three days, rough stock one go, timed events two goes, (except cow milking is one go).

Other events are an Indian parade, calf scramble, horse racing, all horse racing, participants must be entered, ¼ mile the entry fee \$10.00 per horse, pony express \$30.00 per team (3 horses) \$50.00 added per race each day. The wild horse race event, the fee \$30.00 per team, \$75.00 per day added.

The boks will open May 31, 12:00 noon, and will close June 2, 12:00 noon. Money must accompany entry. No personal

checks (unless W.S.I.R.A. member.). Money can be wired Western Union, Wapato, Washington.

Mail entries to: Alta Sanchez, Box 271 White Swan, Wa. or phone: 874-2260.

A trophy saddle will be awarded to the All Around Cowboy, and hand-made silver and gold belt buckles will be awarded to the winner in each standard event.

Tinowit Pow-wow is June 4, 5, and 6, 1976. In-charge of this is Mr. and Mrs. Donald Umtuch, 1019 Washington Ave., Toppenish, WA., 98948, or phone (509) 865-5915, no collect calls.

A cowboy dance June 4 5, at White Swan community hall, music by a western band.

Indian encampment, teepee village, Indian games Wauks, stick games and other Indian activities.

Sanctioned by the Western States Indian Rodeo association, stock contractor, Frank Beard.

The Yakima Indian Rodeo Association will not be responsible for any accidents.

## FBI investigates homicide

Early on the morning of Tuesday May 25, Henry Lee Jackson, aged 23, became the victim of what investigators are calling a homicide. The Warm Springs Police received a walk-in report and simultaneous admission at 6:40 a.m. Criminal Investigator Del Eastman was advised of the situation and he was the first to arrive at the scene.

The man's body was found prone in the back seat of his car in front of the home of George Barry in the campus area. There was a gun wound in his chest. Evidence indicated that it was inflicted outside the car, and that he was then pulled into the car. It wasn't known for sure how long the victim had been dead.

The FBI became involved and hours were spent carefully recording and examining bits of potential evidence.

Meanwhile the police had

the suspect in custody, but he was released pending action by the Grand Jury. The weapon believed to have been used in the shooting is also in the possession of the police department.

Jackson's body was removed at 9:50 a.m. and taken to Madras. The results of an autopsy performed later in the day are not yet available. The FBI investigators remained on the reservation to continue the investigation. No conclusions have been drawn as to the circumstances or motives of the incident.

Mr. Jackson was married to tribal member Norma (Smith) Jackson and had lived in Warm Springs off and on during the last few years.

A prayer service was held for the deceased on Thursday evening at Evergreen Chapel in Madras. The funeral took place Friday at the Full Gospel Church in Warm Springs.