

Bravettes Build Team

"We're the best kept secret in Warm Springs," says Elton Greeley about the Bravettes. Greeley is manager of the women's fast pitch softball team which has been involved in tournament play all summer. The team has a small following of really devoted fans who help out financially and morally, but for the most part the Bravettes have been lost in a sports scene dominated by males.

This hasn't been the most inspiring season for the Bravettes, according to coordinator Romona (Teddy) Tanewasha whose husband Vernon is the coach. But the twelve or so girls and young women who comprise the team have stuck with it. They have past glory to look back on and some promising young rookies to look forward to.

The Bravettes are no longer in a league although they hope to return to league competition. Irregular tournament participation leaves the players unprepared and un "psyched" and they must be in top form to meet the challenge of tough competition — of which there is plenty in Oregon.

This has been a growing season for the Bravettes as several players have shown great promise. Julie Mitchell has been with the team for three years but she just tried her hand at catching for the first time this summer. Now the coach is pushing her to invest in a catcher's mit because "she's it." Althea Scott is a rookie pitcher this season and Teddy says she's adjusted well to the pressure of stiff competition and having no relief pitcher. "She'll be good,"

says Teddy.

The rest of the team is a pretty solid bunch of veterans. Among the players are: Becky Quinn - 1st base, Aurolyn Stwyer - 2nd base, Liz Suppah - 3rd base, Wanda Charley - shortstop, Liliane Suppah - left field, Fran Moses, Lorraine Suppah and rookie Mina Shike - right field, and Janice Farley - catcher.

Coach Vern Tanewasha beams the fact that, the Brav-

ettes seem to be plagued with the frequent loss of key players. Veteran 1st baser Geri Frank broke her arm this spring and was unable to play. Several other players, including Buttons Miller, Merda Charley, Elizabeth Reese, Dora Gowdy, Lisa Suppah, and Toni Smith have been lost (temporarily it is hoped) for various reasons.

But the team plays on because the ladies enjoy it —

they like the responsibility, the challenge of competition, meeting new people, and traveling.

Some of the Bravettes' high points in their eight year history were the winning of the NIAA (National Indian Athletics Association) regionals in Seattle last season, and the Junction City Tournament victory when Warm Springs beat Junction City at its prime in an extra innings game.

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Year-Long Study Offers Plan, Changes

As a result of intensive deliberations at Kah-Nee-Ta Lodge, the American Indian Policy Review Commission's Reservation and Resource Development and Protection Task Force has arrived at some of

the most far-ranging and comprehensive recommendations for improvement of Indian economic development in contemporary times.

The discussions held in the Council Room at Kah-Nee-Ta were chaired by the following Task Force members: Peter MacDonald - Task Force chairman (Navajo), Ken Smith - General Manager of the Confederated Tribes at Warm Springs, and Phillip Martin - former chairman (Choctaw Nation).

The Task Force has, for one year, studied the barriers and obstacles to Indian economic development by researching and making site visitations to 32 Indian Reservations. The purpose of the study is to propose solutions, make recommendations, and offer suggestions.

Two new powerful entities, an Indian Development Authority and a Trust Protection Council, have been proposed and are in final draft form. The final recommendations, however, have not been released at press time.

Included in the report are three conditions the Task Force deems necessary for Indian economic development. They are: control, capital, and management. The report indicates that under the present system these three conditions are not being met.

The character and thrust of the final recommendations (to be released soon) reflect the expertise and experience of Ken Smith and Peter MacDonald, according to Task Force consultants.

The report, now in final draft form, has been entitled "The Kah-Nee-Ta Plan", according to Peter MacDonald. Aside from bearing the name of the location where the report was drafted, there are significant reasons the report is called "The Kah-Nee-Ta Plan".

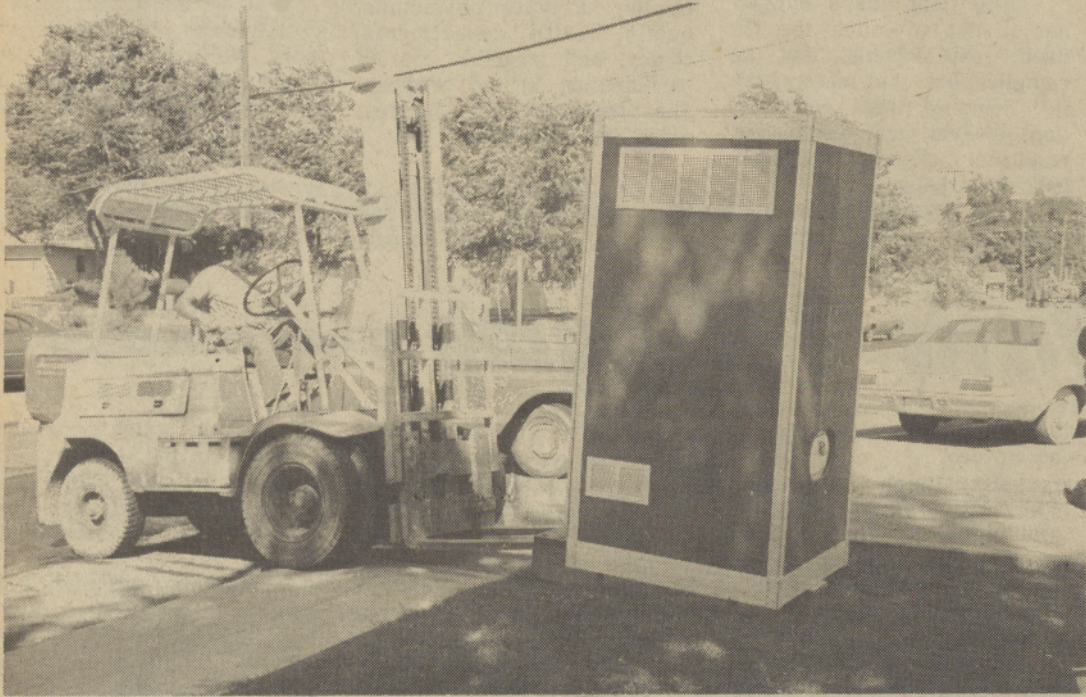
The Council Room is the place where the Task Force began a year ago, and where it held its last meeting Friday July 30, 1976. It is also where the concepts for a Trust Protection Council and American Indian Development Authority were conceived and crystallized.

"Because Ken Smith has had such an influence, it is appropriate and significant that the Kah-Nee-Ta name be used," said economist Jack Peterson, a Task Force assistant. "No one has appeared more often and made more site trips on behalf of the Task Force than Smith," he said.

"He has always insisted that the integrity and strength of tribal government be a focal point of Task Force deliberations and recommendations," according to MacDonald.

The Task Force met Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday of last week to discuss their findings and research of the past year, and to finalize the report.

The Kah-Nee-Ta Plan will be submitted to and reviewed by the Task Force Commission in Washington D.C., and will in turn be forwarded to Congress for consideration.



CREWS BEGAN REMOVING the emergency "outhouse" from the front of the administration building late Friday afternoon when water was

restored to the Warm Springs community. No one seemed anxious to be photographed near the little structure.

Photo by Sandy Rangila

Port-A-Cans Save The Day

One would scarcely have known anything was amiss in Warm Springs on a hot Thursday and Friday (July 29 and 30) had it not been for the three strategically placed portable cans around the community.

Actually, Warm Springs was without water for the better part of two days. Residents and employees were without sanitation facilities

(not counting the three port-a-cans), water, water-cooled air conditioning, and the clinic had to close for the day on Friday.

The possibility of fire was a hazard but forestry was called and a 1000 gallon tanker was up there standing by in case. Also, Mutual Aid was notified of the situation in case of fire in the community.


According to Cecil Seyler of facilities management, the problem started on Thursday at about 2 p.m. when there was a break in the main water line by the Shaker Church.

Water was shut off to do the repair work and by Thursday evening when the pipe was fixed, facilities management proceeded to fill the reservoir again.

Then, just as the reservoir was filled, the coupling in the booster pump station came loose. Due to the broken coupling, water leaked under the floor of the pump house washing the dirt out from under the floor in the pump house causing extensive damage.

Facilities management then shut off the pump and valve at approximately 11 p.m. Thursday night. Not only facilities management, but land operations, tribal utilities, and a plumber from Madras went to work, as speed was of the essence. If water was to be restored to the community by the weekend, the job had to be done as quickly as possible.

"Everybody was pretty good-natured about the inconvenience," said Seyler. "A lot of people in the community even volunteered their help."



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Reporter's Life Spared

Dan Macy pardoned a reporter guilty of misrepresenting local history on the condition that the facts appear in the next issue of Spilyay Tymoo. There will be no hanging as planned, for the true story is now available to readers.

In last issue's article about Macy's store, the history of the existing store and the neighboring building was a bit bungled. The ancestor of the current store is in fact the Mecca Trading Company, but it was built by a man named Chaloupka, not Klupke. This store was located at Mecca on the Descutes River, not Shitke Creek, and was sold to H.E. Massey who brought it up to its present site around 1924.

The old See Mercantile store is the descendant of Will See's trading post which he bought from the army around 1890. This was the store that

was located "under the hill" behind the site of Macy's. See sold it to Chaloupka who sold it back to the See family in whose hands it stayed for years. The building was abandoned (the foundation can still be seen) and rebuilt at its present site next to Macy's. In 1955 Dan Macy bought the building. Recent history was (hopefully) printed correctly the first time.

Also in need of revision is the reference to gunny sack shoes. Dan informed the mistaken reporter that everyone had regular shoes and boots back in Depression Days but that when the snows were especially deep, which wasn't very often, people devised extra protection from gunny sacks and bailing wire.

Sorry, Dan, and my apologies to those who know the local history better than I.