

Elk Found Shot

Three months before opening day of the elk hunting season two elk carcasses were found in the Sidwalter area of the reservation. The remainders of a four-point bull and a mature cow were discovered early Sunday morning August 1 by range rider Roscoe Smith, who notified the Natural Resources Department.

According to Terry Luther, the new Wildlife Biologist for the department, the elk had been shot, the meat removed, and the carcasses dumped near the intersection of the Badger Access Road and the HeHe-Schoolie Road.

It is not known where and by whom the animals were shot.

Luther commented, "This is pretty early to be going after them. They're not in good shape." The bull's antlers were still in velvet, he said.

The Natural Resources Department reminds individuals that the elk hunting season is from November 1 to November 30 and a permit is required from the Tribes. Resources Director Gene Greene pointed out that hunting is a treaty right reserved for the Tribes as a whole and individuals must abide by Tribal regulations.

The off-season hunting penalty for tribal members is \$50 or 10 days in jail for the first conviction, \$100 or 20 days for the second and \$200 or 3 months for the third conviction if it is within one year of the first conviction.

For non-members living on the reservation the penalty is \$200. Non-members living off

the reservation are subject to federal or state law and face a \$400 fine and charges of trespassing, illegal possession, and shooting a game animal off-season.

The Natural Resources Department offered this message: "It would be greatly appreciated if any information involving dead big game animals--deer, elk, bear, etc. -- was reported to the Department of Natural Resources at 553-1161, ext. 233-234. An accurate description of where the animals are located, species and number of animals found, and time when first seen is important."

PLEASE HELP CONSERVE YOUR WILDLIFE RESOURCE

Chief Seattle Days Coming

Dance competition, canoe racing and salmon bakes will be featured at Chief Seattle Days, to be held August 13 and 14 in Suquamish, Washington.

Events will begin at 11:00 a.m. each day, but registration for dancers, campers, canoes and arts and crafts booths will be at 9:00 a.m. Saturday.

The gravesite of Chief Seattle will be dedicated Saturday at 1:00 p.m. by Richard Belmont, Jr., Chairman of the Suquamish Tribe.

M.C. for the powwow will be Chief White Eagle. Money and prizes will be awarded Sunday evening.

Dog Found

A male Samoyed, adult, at the Mill on July 26. Call 475-3191.

To The Editor

The Springers would like to thank the Tribal Jail (J. Sanders) for sponsoring their trip to Queets, Wa:

We hope you like the trophies and promise there will be more.

"Springers!"

Aurolyn Puts Warm Springs On The Map

A lot of proud people returned with Aurolyn Stwyer from the Miss Indian America contest in Sheridan, Wyoming last week. Their Warm Springs representative put this little town on the map, according to Aurolyn's mother Neda Greene.

Spectators who arrived at Sheridan having never heard of Warm Springs left with a distinct impression of at least one "Springer." Aurolyn danced, spoke of her people and gen-

erally charmed the crowds, according to those who accompanied her. She was "showered with gifts" from admirers of other Tribes, said her mother.

Aurolyn and her friends won a trophy for their parade presentation. Neda intends to dedicate the trophy to the Simnasho Longhouse which gave Aurolyn so much support.

The title of Miss Indian America was elusive, however. The crowds may have liked her but the judges chose an-

other. The new Miss Indian America is a girl from Arizona, reportedly the niece of Sen. Barry Goldwater.

Neda Greene felt that Aurolyn was not as prepared as some of the other contestants who had competed before. Her modern dance routine was quite different from the other presentations which were primarily verbal biographies.

"We went in the dark," said Neda. But they shed some light on a reservation not often recognized in Sheridan.

Social Security

... About Your

by John Fullerton

"How much will my Social Security check by when I retire," is one of the questions that I most often get. Most of the time I refer the person to the leaflet called "Estimating Your Social Security Retirement Check."

Actually, your exact monthly payment cannot be figured until you apply for Social Security. That is because your Social Security payment is based on your average earnings over a certain period of years. Your earnings up to the time you retire are considered, so anything figured before then can only be an approximation.

The leaflet, "Estimating Your Social Security Retirement Check," gives you a close estimate of what your retirement check will be if you are going to retire this year. If your retirement is some years away, however, it is likely that future benefits will be higher than the leaflet shows. This is because Social Security payments increase automatically as the cost of living goes up. Since there is an automatic increase in the amount of earnings that count for Social Security, monthly payments in future years can be based on higher earnings. The most recent automatic benefit increase started with checks delivered July 1, 1977, and the benefit figures in the leaflet reflect that increase.

The leaflet gives a step-by-step method you can use to figure your Social Security payment.

For example, you may think that since you have always earned the maximum amount covered by Social Security that you will get the

maximum benefit payable. This is not necessarily so. The maximum amount of earnings covered by Social Security was lower in past years than it is now. Those years of lower covered earnings must be counted in with the higher ones of recent years to figure your average earnings. Your monthly payment amount is based on your average earnings over a period of years.

If you have paid Social Security contributions on the maximum covered earnings since the program started, you would have paid a total of \$6,868.40 by the end of 1976. If you retire at age 65 in 1977,

your monthly payment would be about \$437.10. This means you would get back as much

as you paid in taxes in less than two years.

The average retirement benefit paid to a worker who retires in 1977 at age 65 is \$234. A minimum benefit of \$114.30 is paid to workers who retire at 65 after having

worked long enough under Social Security.

More and more people are retiring earlier — at age 62 instead of 65. The benefit amount is reduced by 5-9 of 1

percent for each month you are paid benefits before age 65,

but you will probably get payments over a longer period of time so it does even itself out.

If you want to estimate your retirement payment, call the Social Security office in Bend at 382-6922, extension 276, or you can get one from the representative at Conference room III in the Administration building on the fourth Thursday of this month between the hours of 2:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. Either place will be happy to provide you with the leaflet about estimating your Social Security check.

Last Workshop Helps Secretaries Develop Their Careers

Secretaries for the Confederated Tribes and BIA heard General Manager Ken Smith offer a perspective on the structure and finances of the Tribal organization as part of the conclusion to a five part series of workshops offered to the secretaries by Ernie De-Rocher.

Smith's remarks accented the need for secretaries to know each other's jobs and see how they fit into the total organization.

The last two-day session focused on career development and according to Municipal Branch Secretary Marcia Soliz the participants appreciated the down-to-earth suggestions for on-the-job improvement.

Lenore Severson, the first day's speaker, suggested the idea of a desk manual that outlines the secretary's job procedures and responsibilities, the boss' preferences, and any other information that would help. Marcia said that this seemed to be a popular idea. "I think the secretaries will do it," she remarked.

Severson also recommended that each secretary do a self-evaluation that would help her to understand what goes into her supervisor's evaluation.

Beyond "What am I doing now?" lies the question "Where am I going?" and the secretaries were encouraged to give a lot of consideration to

their direction and goals.

Techniques for logical and open-minded decision-making were offered by DeRocher and Joann Reynolds on the second day. Secretaries were advised on how as well as when to make decisions.

New Health Branch Secretary Versa Smith especially appreciated the advice offered on self development and setting goals. The practical tips on organization were also helpful. "Being new on the job, they showed me quite a bit," Versa commented.

Other workshops in the series focused on secretary and supervisor relationships, internal office management, office communications, and public relations.

Trespass:

What is it that attracts people to private property even though it clearly states private property please keep out. No matter what kind of a sign that is posted it is usually ignored. Is the reason that people can't read.

There have been a number of complaints pertaining to trespass which is causing a lot of damage to private property. Much of it stems from discarding un-useable items from the house hold. Trash etc. damage caused by motorcycles and other kinds of vehicles.

Perhaps there should be signs that read, "No Trespassing, violators will be shot, survivors prosecuted."

This brings into light another area of trespassers and that is causing fires thruout the reservation. Up-to-date majority of the fires here have been man caused because of the dry spell we are experiencing this year. Just a small spark can start a fire which could do a lot of damage. We have been very fortunate this year to date not having a major forest fire, but we have a long way to go yet to the end of the fire season. We should protect our resources with a little more respect, and try to prevent those who do all the damage.

COUNTY FAIRS

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to be held in Tygh Valley. All Oregon Indians are admitted to the grounds free.

The Fair will pay ten dollars for large teepees set up in the area designed for teepees, and five dollars for small teepees.

Indian races will also be featured August 27-28. State

The Oregon State Fair, Salem, starts August 27, and runs through to September 5. The theme of this year's fair is, "Oregon-Land of Quality Products."

On Thursday, September 1, the renowned Ray Charles will be on stage, then Freddie Fender will appear September 2. On September 3 and 4, Flash Cadillac and the Continental Kids will perform.

Also at the State Fair, the State Spelling Contest will be held on Sunday, September 4. Two students from Culver will be representing Jefferson County in the Elementary and Junior High levels, and the high school level will be represented by a Warm Springs pupil, Roger Stwyer.

Roger is pretty confident that he is going to win and do well in the national contest, and he accredits this to his position. He is presently, employed by the Tribes' Summer Work Program and works under the guidance of the Spilyay Tymoo.

A while back, Roger told the White Buffalo, a high school newspaper, that he took the test to get out of his first period class. Today he confesses that he said that for laughs.