

## Extended Logging Season Possible With Better Roads

by Cynthia Stowell

Two weeks after loggers were called in from the woods because of muddy road conditions, the Tribal Council will be weighing a consultant's recommendations for an extended season road system.

On December 19 logging engineer Carl Raynor will present findings of a \$10,000 feasibility study requested by the Warm Springs Forest Products Industries Board of Directors. As detailed in his 50-page illustrated report, Raynor will recommend the construction of a rocked surface road system over a five year period to provide increased access to the forest for logging operations.

Raynor stresses in his report that an improved road system should not encourage all-weather logging because there are times -

particularly during storms and thaws - when it is environmentally unsound to have equipment in the woods. Rather, a rocked road system would permit loggers to extend their season "to utilize suitable operating weather as it occurs."

Currently all but a few reservation roads are dirt surface, with annual maintenance by WSFPI including sprinkling and motor patrol grading. The result of continued maintenance and use has been the lowering of road surfaces and poor drainage, according to Raynor.

"The development of a hard surface road system is customarily the first step by management in developing an operational stand of timber," states Raynor. "Instead, this timber tract stands by itself . . . as the single

sizeable managed forest in Oregon providing logs to a year-around manufacturing plant, that does not have a hard surfaced woods road system.

Investment in 196 miles of rocked roads west of Highway 26 would cost in the millions but pay off in numerous ways, Raynor suggests. These benefits would include better forest management, more efficient logging and manufacturing. The advantage of year-round employment for woods workers, and improved recreational access.

Local concerns - WSFPI, BIA Forestry, and loggers - agree that many of their problems would be solved by a better road system, but they are waiting to see if the high cost of construction will produce a net gain or loss in their efforts. "We need it if it is economically feasible," said WSFPI manager Ralph DeMoisy.

DeMoisy and logging manager Hank Palmer spelled out the problems that seasonal log delivery poses for the mill. Money is presently being tied up in a huge log inventory due to a heavy influx of logs during the six or seven months of hauling. Extended season logging would provide "a more even flow for decking," said Palmer.

This year many logs are being decked at considerable

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## Who's NINA?

Spilyay Tymoo, along with other tribal newspapers in the northwest, will be printing regional news items with greater frequency thanks to the NINA news service.

When "NINA" appears at the beginning of a story, it means that a member of the Northwest Indian News Association has called or mailed an item into the central bureau, which is temporarily housed at the Sho-Ban News in Ft. Hall, Idaho.

Recently-hired director Nick Nichols sends the story to member newspapers or TV-radio stations via the Sho-Ban's Telex machine. Members with Telex machines receive the news in moments, while others receive Mailgrams within 24 hours.

As a NINA member, Spilyay Tymoo has access to all the

pooled news. With a Telex in the 1979 budget, Spilyay will be improving its communication with Indian tribes not only throughout the northwest but nationwide.

The NINA news service, an outgrowth of the Northwest Indian News Association born last summer, is operating on borrowed money, time and space. Nichols is seeking funding to expand the service into a fully staffed news bureau supplying original news stories and photos much like the major wire services.

The NINA dateline is recognition of the important events and issues that bind Indian tribes together regionally and nationally. We are proud to be part of the system that serves to gather this information for Indian readers and listeners.



One and two and . . .

Ray Scott counted to himself while compressing the chest of a Red Cross mannikin during a recent CPR class. Nine members of the Warm Springs Police Department learned cardiopulmonary resuscitation from registered nurse Emily Akerson.

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## "Ishi, the Last of his Tribe" to be aired on TV

by Jack Haikey, Talking Leaf  
LOS ANGELES --(NINA) -- Dennis Weaver and Eloy Phil Casados, an Apache actor, star

in "The Incredible Tale of the Last of the Wild Indians" introduced into civilization in 1911, in "Ishi, the Last of his Tribe" on NBC TV's Wednesday Night at the Movies, December 20.

The fascinating drama, based on a true story, tells how Ishi and a small band of the Yahi tribe, lived in concealment after gold seekers and settlers invaded their land in the late 1800's and early 1900's.

Realizing their only chance for surviving was to avoid discovery, they lived off the land, persevering by cunning and superb moral and physical courage. But one by one, through mishap and age, they succumb.

In the teleplay, using the flashback form, Ishi is discovered hovering just inside a slaughter house near Oroville, California. Immediate reaction of the workers is to kill the "savage" on site. Fortunately, a cool headed sheriff takes the frightened and starving Ishi into custody. He calls on Doctor

Fuller (Weaver), an anthropologist, from the University at Berkeley.

Fuller subsequently takes Ishi to "civilization" and the two establish communications and thus are able to chronicle the final days of the Yahi Tribe. Last members of the Yahi Tribe include Ishi's mother; his grandparents; elder uncle; beautiful cousin, Lushi; and Timawi, the last young warrior from another village that had been plundered by unscrupulous white intruders.

The script was written by the late academy award winner, Dalton Trumbo and his son, Christopher. The teleplay is based on Theodora Kroeber's book of the same name. She is the widow of anthropologist Alfred Kroeber, who with others actually worked with Ishi. The film employs Indian characters to handle the lead roles. Lois Redelk stars as Ishi's grandmother. Redelk is a Sioux woman and a promising actress in Los Angeles.

(Note to locals: Redelk played the mother in "Three Warriors" filmed at Simnasho.)

## Frontier Doors Closed Permanently, cont'd

Warm Springs police department. The three-month period following closure marked only a slight decrease with 115 youths arrested. Adult arrests decreased slightly from 822 (May-July) to 785 (August-October), said Sanders.

Even though the closure means more traveling to Madras, the Jefferson County Sheriff's office has not noted any substantial increase in traffic infractions related to drinking since July.

Madras Chief of Police Bob Lowry stated there has been some increase in tavern activity in Madras, but that most of it has been dispersed throughout a wider area, such as to Pine Grove, The Dalles and Redmond. There has been an increase in bar complaints in Madras, he said, but not necessarily because of an increase in Indian customers. Most bars have hired bouncers to handle the problems. But generally the Indians are "policing themselves," said

Lowry. "They are drinking but behaving themselves."

Certain establishments in Madras have noticed a big increase in business since July. The Porterhouse, for instance, had become "taken over" by Indians according to an employee there, until a bouncer was hired. Other taverns haven't noticed a great influx in business, perhaps only one or two nights a week with very little trouble arising from the larger crowds.

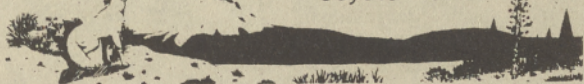
It is evident that there are more Indians drinking in Madras because the short-term detox clients of the Madras Alcohol Treatment Center have risen from 50 percent to 95 percent Native Americans. Not all are from Warm Springs, however, as some are travelers or residents of Madras, say center personnel.

A person is sent to the treatment center in lieu of jail and often stays only until sober again, usually six to eight hours. The Madras and Warm Springs centers work closely together to help transport local residents back to the reservation.

Landlord of the Frontier Bob McInturff, has yet to make any definite plans for the future of the building, as Leiferman has until December 22 to appeal the final decision of the OLCC. According to Leiferman's attorney, William Whitely, there has been no move to appeal that decision.

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## People's Opinion

QUESTION: Now that the holiday season nears, "What are you looking forward to the most?"

Marie S.: Re-newing old acquaintances as well as new one's, being invited to most of the parties. I hope the New Year is better than the old one. Also I'll try to live up to my last years resolution.

Mrs. Maxwell: A better year for everyone . . .

Norma O.: Looking forward to that certain person during my happy single life.

Orthelia M.: I'm looking forward to the holiday basketball tournament, the holiday bowling tournament and of course the

employee banquet.

Cynthia S.: I'm looking forward to my vacation in Victoria, British Columbia.

Sandy R.: I really hope we have snow on Christmas and also looking forward to getting together with the family and friends.

Donna B.: To see what I get from Santa Claus and sharing it with the family. And to see the reaction of our youngest daughter to all the excitement during Christmas.

Pennie: I'm looking forward to going to California to spend Christmas with my parents and also to slow down for a while.