

Auction Gets Powwow Off to Good Start

Dollars flowed freely at the fund-raising auction held at the Simnasho Longhouse January 25 and the Lincoln's Birthday Powwow Committee now has over \$1,000 to its credit.

Auctioneer Rudy Clements gently coaxed the small gathering to trade their cash for wing-dresses, quilts, beaded moccasins, household items, and even pine nuts. Simple generosity brought in over \$300 in donations.

Plans are shaping up for the Lincoln's Birthday Powwow which is set for the weekend of February 9-11 at the Simnasho Longhouse. Committee chairman Clements has been busy inviting drummers from far and wide and is now wondering where to put them all. Scheduled to provide the music for the three-day event are drummers from Heart Butte, Montana, Hobbema, Alberta and Sweat-house Lodge, Salem. More are expected.

Crowding is expected to be a problem for the fourth annual powwow as response to it grows. Enjoyed for its warm and intimate atmosphere, the powwow is going to stay put in the Simnasho location despite its expected size.

What's happening

War dance contests will headline Friday night for girls and boys up to 18 years of age. Saturday will feature contests.

Dance contests will begin Friday night with war dancing for boys and girls up to 18 years of age. Saturday night will feature circle and straight dancing

for children up to 12 years and war dance contests for men and women. The George Clements, Jr. Memorial Open Fancy Dance Contest will offer \$200 in prize money.

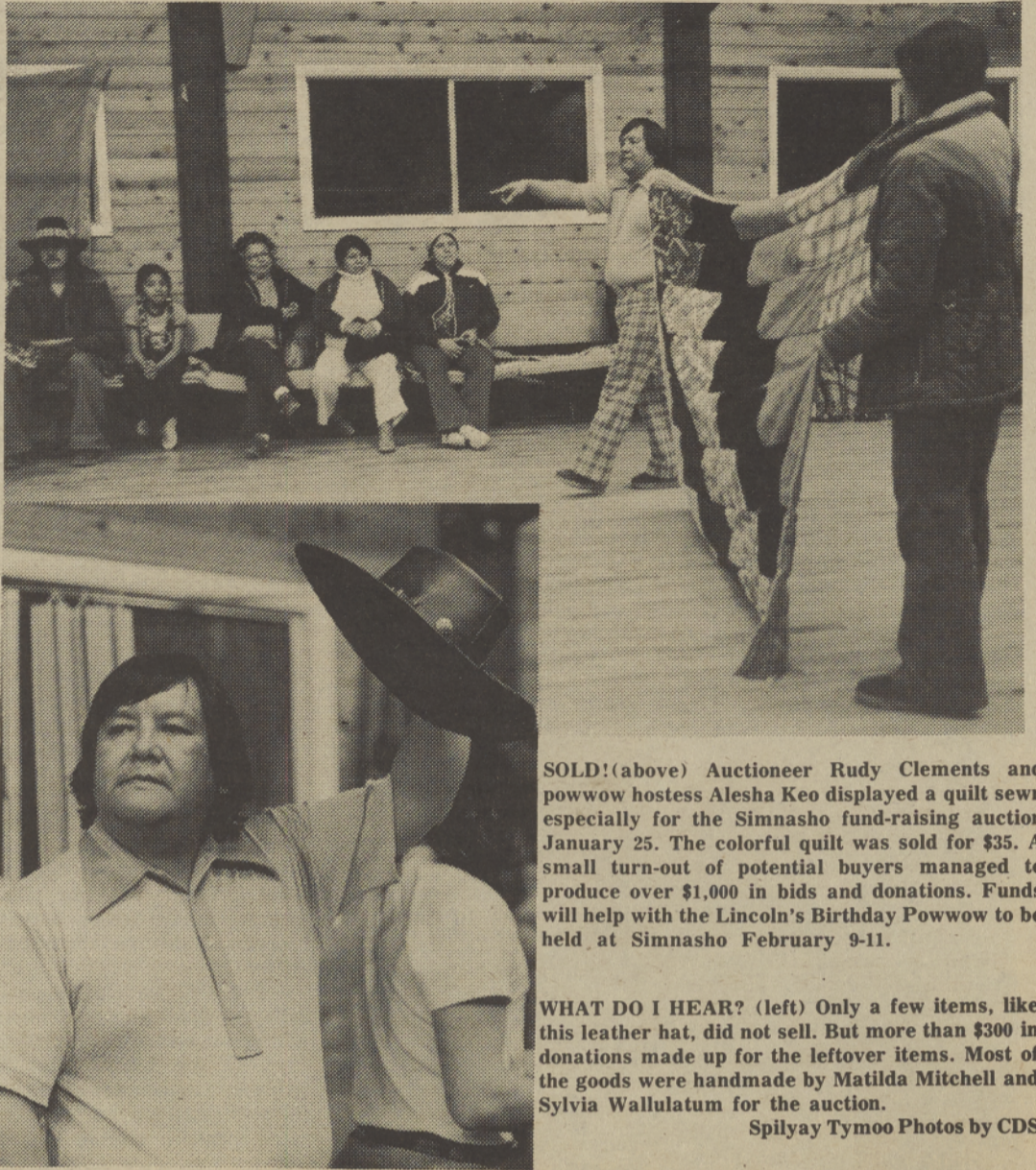
Sunday will be reserved for traditional dancing and the powwow will begin after Washat services. Circle and straight dance contests will be held for girls and boys 13-18, men and women, and senior citizens. The Robert Suppah Memorial Open Straight Dance will offer \$200 to the winner.

Supper will be provided for visitors on Friday, and three meals a day through the rest of the weekend.

Raffle tickets can be purchased from the four hostesses up until the drawing Sunday night. The hostesses are Alesha Keo, Melissa Johnson, Idelia Yahtin, and Rowena Begay. Tickets are \$1.00 and give holders the opportunity to win a portable TV, star quilt, and many other valuable prizes.

Memorial dinners are planned for the Thursday and Saturday before the powwow. On Saturday, February 3, the George Clements family will honor their lost member. Several memorials for Thursday, February 8, including Willie Selam, Chesley Yahtin, Florence Meanus, and Bertha Kalama and Gerry Blodgett.

Thursday's memorials will be followed by ceremonies for first kill, first picking and Indian name giving.



SOLD!(above) Auctioneer Rudy Clements and powwow hostess Alesha Keo displayed a quilt sewn especially for the Simnasho fund-raising auction January 25. The colorful quilt was sold for \$35. A small turn-out of potential buyers managed to produce over \$1,000 in bids and donations. Funds will help with the Lincoln's Birthday Powwow to be held at Simnasho February 9-11.

WHAT DO I HEAR? (left) Only a few items, like this leather hat, did not sell. But more than \$300 in donations made up for the leftover items. Most of the goods were handmade by Matilda Mitchell and Sylvia Wallulatam for the auction.

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Apartment Fire Investigation Closed

The circumstances of the fire that killed a tribal member in the new Tenino Apartments last September 23 have not been determined, but the investigation has closed pending new developments.

According to Mark Werner, B.I.A. Investigator, the incident involving Edgar Yahtin, 25, could be one of three things: arson-homicide, accidental death, or suicide. The case has been placed in the inactive file, unsolved.

The opinion of an arson specialist, lab reports, extensive

interviewing and polygraphs (lie detector tests) failed to pin down the cause of the fire. Werner said that two witnesses refused to take the polygraphs and could not be forced to do so.

Metal fragments discovered in the body were analyzed and reported to be of routine type found in building construction, thus leading investigators to another dead end.

If any new leads are uncovered the case will become active again, said Werner. The investigation has been conducted by the FBI and the BIA.

You Have Three Years to Look Into Your Roots

The Tribal Council took action this week to extend the base roll deadline to February 1, 1982, which will give all Tribal members an opportunity to determine the accuracy of their bloodlines.

Council has also appointed a committee to help you investigate your background, explain what can be done and help you through the procedure of making any corrections. Vi Kalama is the Chairman of this committee with members Rita Squiemphen, Ellen Heath and Stella McKinley. Their secretary is Doris Smith in Steno Pool and any contacts or meeting arrangements can be made through her. They are working in cooperation with Madeline Craig, enrollments officer in Vital Statistics.

It is extremely important that all Tribal members take action, should they have some question about their records and

wish to correct their bloodlines if necessary. Once the base roll is established and approved by Tribal Council and the Secretary of Interior, there will be no appeal.

February 1, 1982 sounds like a long way off but it really isn't because if there are any inac-

curacies it takes a lot of time to research records and correspondence with the various BIA offices and other involved. The first step will be to check your blood quantum as published in the 1940 census roll upon which the base roll starts. Copies are available in the Tribal Council office and in Vital Statistics.

New policy at high school for suspected drug abusers

A new procedure is not being applied at Madras Senior High School against sniffing, drinking, or consuming drugs.

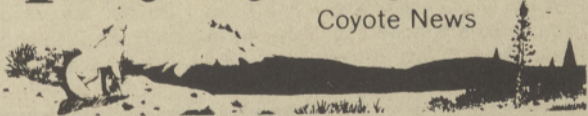
The new rule states, according to counselor Ron Pinkham, if any teacher suspects any student going to class high on inhalants, marijuana, alcohol, or any other drug, the teacher would report it to the Principal, Stan Dymytryk

and the student is immediately suspended. The parents are notified and are called in and asked to do something to clear up the violation.

The new rule is different by the student being suspended by suspicion. The old rule stated the student had to be caught in the act before the student could be suspended.

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People's Opinion

QUESTION: "WHAT DO YOU EXPECT DURING THE YEAR '79. DO YOU THINK IT WILL BE A GOOD OR A BAD YEAR?" asked by Spilyay here and there and everywhere! **YIKES**

LOUISE J.: It should be a good year, I don't know what's coming so I think it should be good.

MADLINE C.: "If it warms up it will be a good year. That's the only thing that is bothering me and that's the cold weather, I've had enough of that so far."

MARGIE T.: I think it will be a good year because everything seems to be looking up. I think with all the things progressing as they are every year should be better.

MAX: I always think the future

is bright. I'm just an optimist. Things should be better in the future especially for the Tribes."

NATHAN: As for the weather it couldn't get worse, but again we can look at this as a blessing from above to our most important resource here in Warm Springs; the timber, the grass, water for the salmon. One other thing I hope the tribes would hurry with the generators so we won't have to worry about these black-outs.

VICKIE S.: I hope it will be a good year and everyone will improve on getting along better. **ROGER S.:** I expect to look forward to good things happening for the Tribe and the people. I think it will be a good year for me,

especially when I look back and see all my accomplishments.

CYNTHIA S.: 1979 will be a year of growth and change. Maybe I'll get to take my vacation sometime in '79.

MAE ANN.: I think it's going to be a very good year. I don't know I just have that feeling. There will be some bad things and also some good things happening.

CHERYL T.: It better be a good year, last year wasn't so hot. This year will be a long hot summer. Last year it was sort of cool. Last year should have been a good one but it wasn't.

MARGIE E.: The best thing this year so far is that my savings bond became due. So far that's the best thing for me next to the trust fund."