CIS to provide job information

Members of the Warm Springs Confederated Tribes will soon have occupational information that highlights the specific work performed on the Warm Springs Indian Reservation.

CIS (Career Information Systems) and the Warm Springs Confederated Tribes are working together on a project designed to address the need for current, accurate and locally relevant career information. By having CIS provide information about jobs on the reservation, the Warm Springs Confederated Tribes hopes to give students a realistic picture of what career opportunities are available to them.

The need for this program is documented in a study by Quill Point, a Portland based research and program planning firm for an Education Needs Assessment Committee. The study cites the need for career information on the reservation, based on the finding that 90 percent of the student respondents said they plan to spend their lives on or near the reservation. Sixty percent said they do not know much about jobs on the reservation. The study also indicated that as a result of successful economic development programs, the community has prospered, but there are generally more jobs available in the reservation community than trained tribal members to fill them.

Information analysis from the CIS staff will identify and describe occupations in the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Public Health Service, Tribal Administration, Warm Springs Timber Products, Kah-Nee-Ta Resort, as well as other jobs on the reservation.

Descriptions developed with this program will discuss wages, current employment, outlook, hiring practices, working conditions and aptitudes as they are found in the Warm Springs community. This special file will be linked to the current CIS files in away that encourages users to relate reservation occupations to those found in the Oregon labor market. In addition, the program will provide names of people on the reservation who will speak about their jobs.

The information will be fully integrated into reservation educational, employment, and training programs. It will also be used in personnel development.

A committee including CIS representatives, members of the local school district, tribal administration representatives and local employers will provide input and feedback to project staff.

Mills appointed acting Deputy Assistant for Indian Affairs

Secretary of the Interior Cecil D. Andrus announced today the appointment of Sidney L. Mills as the acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs, effective January 19, 1980, when Assistant Secretary Forrest J. Gerard leaves the Department.

Gerard announced his resignation December 11 to return to private business.

Andrus said the Mills appointment was made to insure that programs, such as the Bureau of Indian Affairs' management improvement project, continue without interuption for the remainder of this Adminsitration. Andrus said his primary concern was that on-going programs to Indians are not interrupted. "We are committed to assuring continuity in policy making for Indian Affairs," he said.

Mills, an enrolled member of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, has been serving as the Acting Deputy Commissioner of Indian Affairs since July 30, 1979. He has also served as the Albuquerque Area Director and as the Executive Assistant to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs.

Resigning Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Indian Affairs Forrest J. Gerard said that Mills "brings a rich and diverse background to the Indian field. He has both the government and the private sector experience which can only benefit his constituents, the Indian people."

A Navy veteran, Mills, 54, entered Federal service in 1973 in the Aberdeen, South Dakota, Area office. He was supply and contract officer and, for almost a year, the Acting Deputy area Director before transferring to Washington, D.C., in August of 1975. He had previously been Purchasing Manager for the great Western Sugar Company; Merchandise Control Manager, Creative Merchandising, Inc.; and Purchasing Manager for Sundstrand Aviation, all in Denver, Colorado.

Mills is married, with two sons. His wife, Corrine, is an enrolled member of the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe.

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THERE WAS THIS Polack who came from the city and was visiting on this farm for the first time in his life. "Oh, what a pretty cow," he said, "but why doesn't it have any horns?" "There could be several reason's," replied the farmer. "Some cows don't have horns until later in life. Others have them removed, while others are born without them. This one don't have horns because it's a horse." YIKES

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THERE WAS THIS MOUNTAINEER who saw a motorcycle on the road for the first time in his life. He raised his rifle and shot it. "Did you kill the varmint?" asked his wife. "Hit it but didn't kill it." he said, "I can hear it growlin—but I shore made it turn that poor fella loose." YIKES

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THIS YOUNG GUY SAID, "I'm looking for adventure, beautiful women," to his father as he prepared to leave home. "Don't try to stop me, I'm on my way." "Who's trying to stop you?" shouted his father, "I'm going with you!" YIKES

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CONFUCIUS SAY: "Girl know what she want, but boy friend want what she NO's!"

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THERE WAS THIS GUY who said, "I'll never forget when I lost my baby teeth, I never knew my father could hit that hard." YIKES

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THERE WAS THIS POLACK learning how to fly a helicopter. He was up about 1,000 feet when suddenly down he came. The instructor asked him what happened he said, "I got chilly up there so I shut off the fan." YIKES

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Indian News Notes

by Vince Lovett

HUD PROPOSES TO RESTRUCTURE ITS FIELD ORGANIZATIONS TO BETTER SERVE INDIANS:

The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) on January 14 published in the **Federal Register** a proposed plan to restructure its field organization to improve the delivery and administration of Indian programs. Under the proposed plan all Indian housing programs will be handled by five offices established exclusively for Indian housing programs, plus the Anchorage Area Office which will serve all programs in that state. The notice says that the consolidation of Indian programs in only six locations "will increase the distance clients will have to travel to do business with the HUD, but the level and quality of service provided will more than outweight any inconvenience to HUD clients." Some of the benefits expected are: consolidation of scarce technical resources in few locations for increased efficiency; providing HUD staff dedicated to solving Indian problems, to work exclusively with Indian programs; and, improved coordination with the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Indian Health Service. The five offices outside of Alaska would be in Chicago, Oklahoma City, Denver, San Francisco and Seattle. The plan will not become effective until a further notice is published in the Federal Register, no sooner than 90 days from January 14.

PANEL WILL HOLD FIRST MEETING ON FUTURE LOCATION OF INDIAN ART INSTITUTE:

An American Indian Art and Culture Review Panel, appointed by Interior Assistant Secretary Forrest Gerard, will meet January 26 at the Institute of American Indian Art in Santa Fe, New Mexico, to consider the future location of the Institute. The All Indian Pueblo Council was permitted to move senior high students from the Albuquerque Indian School to the Santa Fe campus this past fall and want to move the junior high students this coming fall. The Institute's facilities have been underused in recent years because of declining enrollments. Supporters of the Institute have opposed closing the school or transferring its programs to the BIA's Haskell Indian Junior College at Lawrence, Kansas. Members of the panel, which will also discuss the broader role of the federal government in the preservation of Indian culture and art, are: Wendall Chino, National Tribal Chairmen's Association; Delfin Lovato, All Indian Pueblo Council; Ella Mae Horse, National Endowment for the Humanities; Livingston Biddle, National Endowment for the Arts; Alfonso Ortiz, University of New Mexico; Richard West, Jr., Native American Council of Regents; and Roland W. Force, Museum of the American Indian.

COLLEGE OF GANADO KEPT OPEN WITH $275,000 FEDERAL CHECK:

Rick Lavis, Interior Deputy Assistant for Indian Affairs, hand carried a check for $275,00 to the Hopi Tribe for the struggling College of Ganado. In an interview with the **Navajo Times** Lavis said, "Without this money, I have no doubt that the college would have had to close its doors." Lavis said the check was a grant, not a loan. He added that the college, which serves mostly Navajo and Hopi students, is still in financial trouble and in need of more federal aid. Dr. Thomas Jackson, president of the college, said that the school needed to raise about $1.2 million of its annual $2.4 million annual budget in order to continue operating this year. Lavis said that the college apparently qualifies to receive funds under the recent Indian Community College Assistance Act and that a decision will probably be made in late February on how much the College of Ganado will receive from the $4 million funding available this year under the Act.

SILETZ SUBMIT RESTRICTED HUNTING, FISHING PLAN TO RESERVATION OPPONENTS:

The Confederated Tribe presented a carefully worded proposal to the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission, seeking an agreement that would give tribal members the right to harvest limited quantities of game and fish for their own use. The plan calls for no commercial sale of fish, no gill-netting, and no fishing for steelhead. It would permit the taking of "a few hundred fish" annually from certain places during coho and chinook runs. A tribal license and tagging system would be used. A limited hunting plan was also proposed. The Siletz, reactivated as a recognized tribe by Congress in 1977, are seeking to establish a 3,600 acre reservation on the upper Siletz River. Opponents of the reservation have expressed fear the Indians would gain large-scale fishing rights and would begin commercial fishing in the coastal river. The tribe is apparently willing to submit to a consent decree, surrendering possible hunting and fishing rights, to remove opposition to the creation of the reservation.

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