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Ascending Messages

Students in Harry Phillips' sixth grade class wrote notes and sent them a-flying aboard helium filled balloons last week. The students are hoping the balloons are found and that the finders will respond to the notes. As the balloons arose and hit upper airstream currents, they took a southeasterly direction.

Fifteen nominated in Agency District

by Donna Behrend

Under some criticism, the Agency District held their nominations for Tribal Council members the evening of March 4. The criticism stems from some who thought the nominations were too soon after the deaths of two tribal members. Altogether, 17 people were nominated, two of those declined.

The Simnasho and Seekseequa districts postponed their nominations until Wednesday, March 9. Those meetings will be held, beginning at 7p.m., at the Simnasho and Agency Longhouses.

Chief Nelson Wallulatam explained the nominations, voting procedures and requirements. One member asked to postpone the meeting until this week some time and Wallulatam stated that they were "trying to keep within constitutional limits so we'll have 30 days before elections and 30 days before the swearing-in."

A new regulation introduced this year was that a person had to be present at the nominations to accept or decline the nomination. Otherwise, the nomination would not be recognized.

Some question was raised about the nomination procedures, the Agency being unique in that it is split with

Sidwalter. The group voted that the Agency District should vote for three people at-large—not split the vote between two Agency positions and one Sidwalter position. After the election, the three Agency councilmen will designate who will represent the Sidwalter area.

Those nominated, in alphabetical order, were Levi Bobb, Mike Clements, Warren "Rudy" Clements, Daisy Ike, Zane Jackson, Buford "Biff" Johnson, Uren Leonard, Delano "Satch" Miller, Bernice

Mitchell, Louie Pitt, Jr., Hazel Seyler, Alvin Smith, Claude Smith, Sr., Rita Squiempfen and Linton Winishut.

Alvis Smith, Sr., declined due to family responsibilities. Marie Calica also declined due to family and work responsibilities.

No date has been set for the elections. However, it is expected they will be held in early April. Watch the next issue of *Spilyay Tymoo* for interviews with each of the candidates from all three districts.

WSFPI in 1982...

Faced with a bad year

The Warm Springs Forest Products Industries (WSFPI) 1982 annual report was discussed recently at a general council meeting attended by few. 1982 was the "worst year we've had when you look at the total loss," said General Manager Bob Macy. "We've never had a loss that high." The poor year was attributed to a depressed market and a slipping economy that's been slow to recover.

WSFPI operated in and out of the profit zone throughout the year. Also, chip prices dropped considerably in October, cutting profits in that area some what. However,

chip sales showed a 2.7 percent increase over 1981. Year-end, over all net loss was \$482,298, up 11.4 percent from 1981.

Sales of approximately \$26.2 million were up 5.6 percent over 1981. Stumpage, profits and mill wages to tribal members and affiliates combined to provide benefits of nearly \$6.4 million or 93.8 percent of 1981. Employment of tribal members and affiliates was up 13.1 percent in the labor force and remained at a constant 50 percent for supervision. A record \$2.4 million in wages were paid to these two classifications in 1982. Continued on page 2

Community mourns loss of elder

by Donna Behrend

The Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs mourned the death of its oldest member, Annie Jackson Smith this week. Friends and family members from far and near traveled to Warm Springs to Honor Annie, who had celebrated her 100th birthday last June. Annie passed away February 24 at Mt. View Hospital in Madras.

Annie's life was a full, busy life. She raised eight children, six of whom are still living. She helped her husband of 70 years with ranching chores. As a young woman, Annie served as



Annie Jackson Smith 1882-1983

**Joint
 Agency/Seekseequa
 District Meeting
 Concerning:
 Draft Comp. Plan
 Dinner: 6 p.m.
 Meeting to follow
 Date: March 17, 1983**

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