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This photo is just one of the many photos that have been accumulated by the MOIHS. It is identified as "Indian Training School, Forest Grove, Oregon. M.C. Wilkinson, U.S.A., in charge."

Museum becoming reality

The idea of a museum/cultural center on the Warm Springs Indian reservation has been in the minds of many for several years—in fact since 1967. Since then, much work has been done to make that seemingly far-off dream a reality.

Through a charter adopted in 1975, the Mid-Oregon Indian Historical Society (MOIHS) was formed. MOIHS has been actively seeking artifacts of significant value to the Warm Springs Tribe since 1974. Since 1974, over 1,600 artifacts have been acquired, either through donation or purchase.

All artifacts are protected and are being kept in a remodeled room on the second floor of the day care center. The room has a special security system as well as a special fire retardant system. The shelves are lined with acid-free paper so as not to harm or hasten deterioration.

Last year, the preliminary storyline was developed by a

museum specialist. The storyline was adopted in July and has since changed a bit. The story line was developed so that the museum exhibits could be designed. A scale model of the museum itself was constructed this year. It is on display in the Tribal Council room.

Though the museum/cultural center will not be realized for another two or three years, an endeavor of this type obviously does not happen overnight. Once it is completed, Warm Springs will have a museum that will reflect the trials and successes of the Tribe to visitors from near and far.

For more information on the proposed museum, refer to pages 5 through 8.

IHS memo. . . .

Policies changed

The Health Resources and Services Administration is requiring the Indian Health Service to bill private insurance companies for services provided in the IHS clinic during fiscal year 1984. This, accompanied with prioritizing care, is a result of Contract Health Services funding cutbacks.

For billing of private insurance companies patients will be asked to sign a general release of information agreement. This makes the patient aware that his insurance company is going to be billed and will protect the IHS from charges of having violated anyone's right to privacy.

Priorities in funding for Contract Health Services for medical care are urgent and emergency care that must be done within 30 days to preserve life, limb, organ or function. Also included as first priority

care is non-emergency hospital and/or outpatient care which if not done this fiscal year will result in permanent risk to life, limb, organ or function.

Any hospital or outpatient care that can be safely deferred beyond the fiscal year is not authorized nor are any luxury procedures such as cosmetic surgery.

Following the same guidelines as used in 1983 the IHS will fund only certain service categories.

In regards to eyecare refractions and eyeglasses may be authorized for the elderly and high school age and under age children. Special medical conditions in the other age groups may also be approved. Special lens tints or frames must be medically indicated. More than one pair of glasses per year must be approved.

Hearing aids and audiology

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Weather

SEPT.	HI	LOW
23	65	54
24	80	43
25	88	42
26	81	59
27	63	48
28	63	34
29	63	28
30	66	33
OCT.		
1	72	38
2	66	44
3	74	48
4	71	45
5	70	37

Fire prevention week October 9-15