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WE DO SOLEMNLY SWEAR—Tribal Council members for the 1986-1989 term took office Monday, May 5. From left to right are Chief Nelson Wallulatam, Karen Wallulatam, Rita Squiemphen,

Ellen Johnson, Zane Jackson, Mickey Brunoe, Harold Culpus and Chief Delvis Heath.

Market analysis updated for community shopping center

In 1974 the first overall economic development program in Warm Springs introduced the idea of a community shopping center in the area. A market analysis in 1977 presented the center as being feasible but the project never reached the implementation stage.

Interest and support for the shopping center has been increasing over the years and a recent market analysis by Portland urban land economists Leland Hobson, based on a community survey and study of nearby communities, show that population growth and need could support such a neighborhood shopping center. It has adequate market support and will satisfy day-to-day living needs of the community and the convenience needs of visitors and travelers.

A commercial shopping center would, also, satisfy economic policy goals of the community including improvement of the local economy, providing additional job opportunities, provid-

ing individual business opportunities and decreasing the drain of dollars from the reservation.

It has been estimated that reservation residents spent \$4.9 million in 1985 on goods and services in other market locations. Sixty-three percent of those retail dollars could be recaptured with a shopping facility offering a diversified line, according to the market report.

Population increases in Jefferson County and the Warm Springs area indicated that a shopping center could be supported. In 1970 the county showed a population of 8,550. By 1985 it reached 12,500 and is estimated to arrive at 14,000 by 1990. Warm Springs in 1970 had 1,826 residents. In 1985 the population was 2,800 and should reach 3,300 by 1990.

Stores which are recommended by Leland and Hobson include a large grocery store, hardware/sporting goods store, beauty and barber shops, a bank, laundromat and dry cleaners. Also

included in the plan could be a fabric-sewing center, catalog store, radio and television repair shop and a shoe repair shop.

Of the two locations discussed for the site of a shopping center the campus area proves to be most economically feasible. A flood plain located on Highway 26 near milepost 104 was rejected because of the expenditure involved in filling the area. The campus site at the Kah-Nee-Ta Highway and Highway 26 junction would provide accessibility and convenience along with already supplying trees for landscaping and the town center feeling.

A total of 73,500 square feet of land is recommended for the shopping center buildings including 28,000 square feet for a supermarket (three times the size of the present Macy's), 32,200 square feet for the common area. Total acreage including landscape area and parking is 5.63 acres.

Many considerations accompany the development of a shopping mall ranging from the importance of incorporating Macy's Market into the complex to prevent competing markets to the question of whether or not alcohol should be sold. Its exclusion would reduce gross business potential by as much as 20 percent. Professional management is also critical to the overall success of the shopping center for achievement of community goals.

Tribal Council will soon be reviewing the shopping center plan and market analysis, explains Warm Springs planning director Ray Rangila. If Tribal Council views the center as being feasible preliminary plans and estimated hard costs must be developed along with determining how the center will be financed and managed.

Community members wishing to review in detail the Warm Springs neighborhood shopping center analysis will find copies at the Warm Springs planning office.

Apportionment—a matter for the people

"Apportionment is an internal matter for the people to decide, it is their choice and not one to be made by Congress of the Department of the Interior," stated University of Oregon Law professor Charles Wilkinson who was in Warm Springs April 29 to give legal background on the subject. Wilkinson was called upon by the Education Committee and Tribal Council to help explain apportionment due to his familiarity with the 1855 treaty, the Wheeler-Howard Act and the Warm Springs Constitution and By-Laws.

Wilkinson explained that "no other tribe in the United States has an apportionment clause quite like the Warm Springs tribes." And the Tribe has held on to a tradition that no other tribe or government in the United States uses in selecting a person to serve as chief for a lifetime.

The three districts on the reservation basically represent the

three tribes which constitute the Confederated Tribes, the Warm Springs at Simnasho, the Wasco at the Agency and the Paiutes at Seekseequa. Each district has a chief and elected representative who all sit on Council.

Wilkinson pointed out that the present system does not give each person's vote equal weight if a person compares the percentage of voters in each district with the percentage of representatives they have on Council.

The Agency District is comprised of approximately 820 voters, or 58 percent of the total eligible voters. With four officials on Council, the Agency District has 36 percent of the representation. The Simnasho District also has four Council members and 36 percent of the voting power. There are approximately 456 voters or 32 percent of the eligible voters in their district. Seekseequa District, with three council members, has 27 percent of the voting

power on Council. There are 111 eligible voters in the district, constituting eight percent of the total number of voters on the reservation.

Statistics show that the three Seekseequa Council persons represent 111 voters while the four Agency Council members represent 820 voters from the District. Wilkinson said he could understand the obvious concern among Agency voters as they comprise over 50 percent of the voting population.

Wilkinson stressed that apportionment is an issue that should be decided by Warm Springs people, not an outside court. In his opinion, Warm Springs is not required by any outside law to have any other form of government than what is presently used at Warm Springs and he didn't think that federal courts would address the issue because it is a question of civil rights. The

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Last year a "banner year"

Statistics released by the Maternal and Child Health Program shows that 1985 was another banner year for births. Kathleen Moses, Program Director reported that 110 children born this past year to mothers who reside on the Reservation. This figure is the same as 1984 when 110 births were also recorded. It appears that the trend is for the birth rate to increase due to the young population that is starting to reach child bearing age. While it appears the number of children in each family is decreasing and overall families are smaller, there are more families, but they are having fewer children. This seems to correspond to trends occurring Nationally, but is happening in a delayed or slower process in Warm Springs. The age distribution of the mothers and percentage of children born to the age group are as follows:

18 yrs. to 22 yrs.	39%
23 yrs. to 27 yrs.	30%
28 yrs. to 34 yrs.	19%
35 yrs. & older	6%

The number of children to tribal member mothers were 74 and non-tribal mother were 36. The marital status of the mothers 59 married mothers, 42 single mothers (including 21 teenage mothers) and nine divorced mothers. It is expected that 1986 will be another banner year for babies in Warm Springs.

Take Mom to Breakfast

The annual Mother's Day Breakfast sponsored by the 4-H leaders association will be held May 11, from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Cost is \$2.50 each and \$1.00 for pre-schoolers. Location is the Community Center.



Filming coming to close

The Friendship Corner restaurant operated by Art and Billy Joe McConville was the location of recent filming of "From Oregon With Love". Fuji Broadcasting will complete filming of this segment by the end of this week. The crew will be returning to Japan after spending nearly a month in the area.