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Heart attack claims tribal leader

by Pat Leno-Baker

Warm Springs tribal leader, Harold Culpus a leader in the Northwest and nation in the acquisition and maintenance of Indian fishing rights and fish run, collapsed and died at his home on the reservation of an apparent heart attack November 1, 1986.

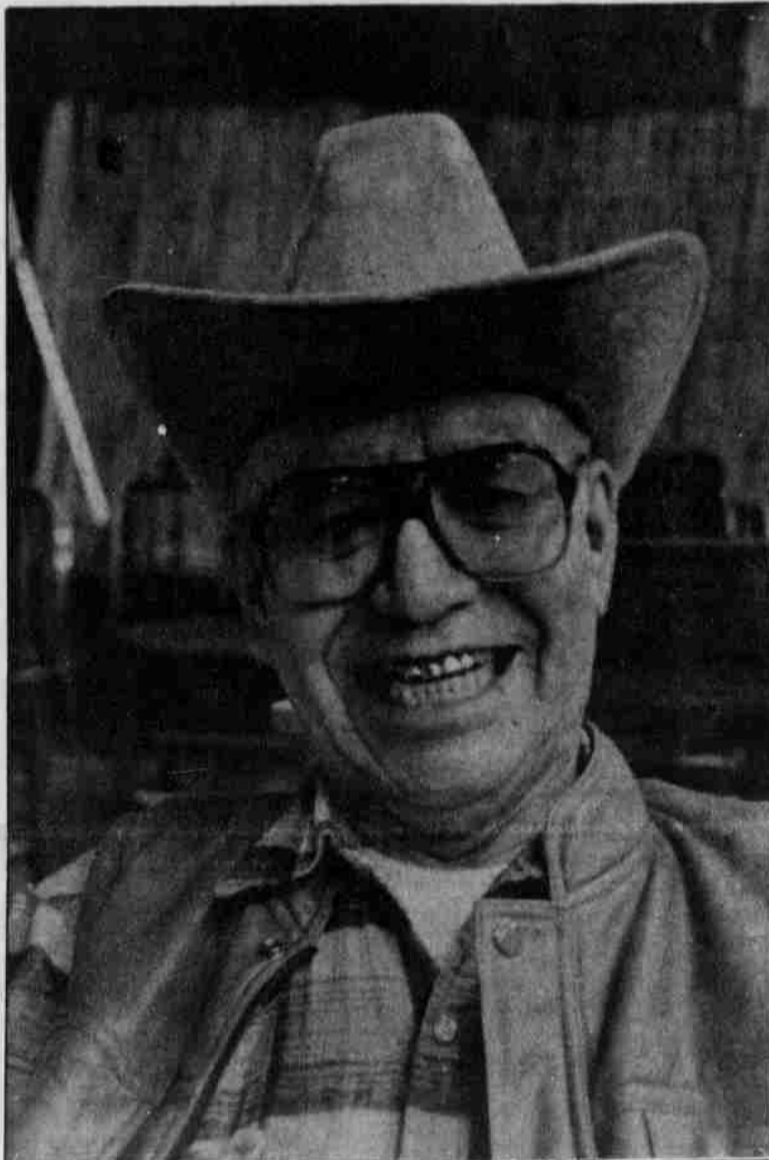
Harold was born at Blalock, Oregon, on the Columbia River, March 25, 1918 to John and Ida (Sampson) Culpus. He lived and fished at Celilo Falls until the construction of The Dalles Dam which inundated the Falls area in 1957. He then moved to the Warm Springs Reservation where he lived until his death. He spent many years of his life working on national, regional and tribal fishing issues. He was a strong support of the Warm Springs National Fish Hatchery, on the Warm Springs River, a project built to increase the number of fish returning to the Columbia, Deschutes and Warm Springs Rivers.

He elected to serve on the Warm Springs Tribal Council as a representative from the Simnasho District for the first time in May of 1959. During his life he served 15½ years on Council. Culpus also served on the Tribal Fish and Wildlife committee for 18½ years. At the time of his death he was serving as chairman of that committee. At the inception of the Middle Oregon Historical Society (MOIHS) in 1974, Harold was selected to serve on the Board of Directors, a position he still held at the time of his death.

Harold served as Warm Springs representative at the U.S. Congress, helping to gain passage of the Northwest Power Act and the Salmon and Steelhead Enhancement Act. And, a member of the U.S. delegation that negotiated the U.S. and Canada Salmon Treaty, Harold saw the Treaty ratified in 1985 after 20 years of negotiations and deliberations.

Harold served on the Board of Directors of Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission at the onset of the commission in 1976. He was selected board chairman in 1980 and served in that capacity until 1983.

During World War II he enlisted in the U.S. Army on March 21,



Harold Culpus—1918 to 1986

1941 and served until November 3, 1944. During his tour of duty overseas he was stationed in North Africa and Sicily.

He married Effie Puyette at Warm Springs February 24, 1944. After moving to the reservation in 1957 he was active in farming. He enjoyed hunting and fishing. He was a member of the Elliott Palmer Post #4217, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Survivors include his wife, Effie; a daughter, JoAnn Casey; a foster son James Teeman; a brother, Ivan McKinley; eight sisters, Martha George, Ina Tohet, Dorothy Sim-

tustus, Amelia Colwash, Pat Tanewasha, Ellen Squiempfen, Nancy Johnson and Mary Danzuka; two grandsons, Kevin Blueback and Dale Casey; numerous nieces and nephews.

Tribal dressing ceremonies were held at the Simnasho longhouse Sunday, November 2 with Matilda Mitchell and James Selam officiating. Seven Drum services followed at the longhouse starting Sunday, November 2 and ending Tuesday, November 4. Burial was at the Simnasho Cemetery Tuesday, November 4.

The first of three district tribal meetings on the proposed 1987 budget of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs was held at the Agency Longhouse October 28 for the Agency District members.

Tribal members attending the meeting were given a packet of the budget which included the introduction and synopsis of Ordinance 67; background and plan for 1987; present financial position explaining; financial statement of present position; 1987 revenue; 1987 expenses; major increases; governance, management and supervision; program description; and, appendix.

During the introduction it was explained that the packet prepared for the enrolled members was arranged in such a manner as to show a general picture and lead into more detail. The packet was an attempt to explain how the budget was planned, what anticipated expenses are and the purpose of the expenses.

Ordinance 67 was written and enacted in response to the concerns of the membership as they were expressed during the 1986 budget process. Last winter the Tribal Council held public workshops to gain input from the members to improve the process. The ordinance has three major points: 1. to authorize the posting of the budget before October 1 showing the estimated revenues and expenses by category, posting will be in three public places for at least 30 days; 2. public hearings will be held no sooner than 15 days and no later than 45 days after the posting; and, 3. after the hearings but no later than December 1, the Tribal Council can act to appropriate tribal funds, Council can amend the budget or even appropriate less than the posted amount but cannot exceed more than the proposed posted total.

The planning and efforts of the tribal departments were combined with the general priorities identified by Tribal Council. Council set a three percent (3%) gross increase over the 1986 budget as the target for all departments. Several issues identified by Council for the cost of operating tribal programs were the effectiveness of programs, growing population, child care, increasing self-reliance of members, employment, economic growth and long term health of the tribal resources. Council expressed some concern over the costs and operations on the 1987 proposed posted budget but added there will be further considerations before taking any final action. The members comments and suggestions will help in the decision making as to just what will be in the best interest of the tribes. The district meetings and the general council meeting serve as a good ground for gaining input from the members. The information fair held

October 23 served as a method to get information to the people about the various departments and their goals and functions.

The proposed 1987 budget is different from the 1986 budget which was posted in October 1985 in that only tribal funds are shown as appropriated and per capita is not shown as a part of the proposed budget. State and federal monies and per capita will be separate.

The present position as of September 30 includes the statement of revenues, expenditures and changes, in fund balance report shows a savings of \$1,295,763. Revenue shows \$11,503 more than forecast, expenditures show a savings of \$1,334,989 in operating expenses in departments up to September 30. While net includes operational expenditures savings and the revenue to give an excess of revenues over expenditures of \$1,246,492. The sale of an enterprise brought in \$7,846 which was transferred in, transferred out was the total of \$14,697,928 which includes referendum items, capital projects, enterprises and internal services. Per capita paid out brings the fund balance to \$20,331,597.

To make a financial forecast required to look into the future and make some assumptions and considerations about revenue and expenditures. With the large growth of enrollment, Council and management were faced with decisions on various needs within the organiza-

tions. Based on the growth, projects and community needs listed were a larger school, health facility and an elder care facility. The importance of the items and the substantial costs required a forecast that would predict where the tribes would be in 10-20 years, financially. Assumptions were made on the stumpage prices, the annual allowable cut, interest rate of nine percent (9%), the rental payment for Pelton and Round Butte dams and the recent power sales contract on the hydro generation project. These were extended to the year 2001. Expenditures were indexed by taking the 1986 budget items and inflating the amounts by the Consumer Price Index (CPI). The CPI shows the cost of living increase at a certain rate. These expenditures were also extended to the year 2001.

In calculating cost, if the tribe were to proceed at the present rate of expenditures, all available funds would be exhausted in a short time. Even using moderate amounts with the current spending trends, the excess revenues would be depleted in six years and the unobligated funds would be depleted in 13 years. Taking the trend in consideration, Council sees a real need for a carefully conducted future financial plan. The budget process is a high priority and all tribal systems will be a goal and result

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First of budget meetings held

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Selam to be honored by VFW

The Warm Springs Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post No. 4217 were the honor guard at a awards ceremony, November 9, at the Toppenish Community Center.

James G. Selam, was presented the Bronze Star Medal, for meritorious achievement in ground combat against the armed enemy during World War II, in the Asiatic-Pacific Theater of Operation.

The presentation was made by Lt. Colonel Dale Hill, Commander of the Yakima Firing Center; Major Garth G. Germond, Adjutant, Yakima Firing Center; Sgt. Major Thomas Ingram, Sgt. Major, Yakima Firing Center. The awards will be presented by Lt. Colonel Hill, assisted by Sgt. Major Ingram. Citation reading by Major Garth G. Germond.

Medals awarded to Jimmy during his tour of duty with the U.S. Army are the American Theater, Asiatic-Pacific with battle stars, the Army Good Conduct medal, the Victory medal and now after 41 years or so years the Bronze Star.

Jimmy G. Selam, enlisted in the U.S. Army in Portland, Oregon, October of 1944. He served with the 25th Division in the South

Pacific from April 6, 1945 to August 6, 1946. He held the rank of Corporal.

Elliott Palmer Post #4217, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the U.S. was installed June 26, 1952, at Warm Springs. Jimmy is a Charter member of the Post and has been a continuous member since the Post was first organized. He now holds a lifetime membership to the Post.

During the time Jimmy lived here in Warm Springs he was an active member. When he was Commander of the Post he was voted in the State Commander of the year 1965-66. He was also very active with the Boy Scouts and 4-H when his boys were youngsters at Warm Springs. He is still working with Boy Scouts at Toppenish, Washington.

The Warm Springs VFW Post #4217, will have a Veterans Day dinner at the agency Longhouse, Tuesday November 11, 1986, to honor all the veterans who have served their country from the early Indian wars, WWI, WWII, the Korean War and Vietnam. A day for all veterans to get together and have some good chow.

Turnout rate high. . . Voters decide on candidates, measures

As was expected, over 70 percent of registered Oregon voters showed at the polls Tuesday, November 4 for the general election. Voters decided on a new governor, 16 ballot measures, two senatorial and congressional races and various other issues. Approximately 42 percent of registered Warm Springs voters cast their ballots on Tuesday's election.

County-wide, voters swayed toward republican gubernatorial candidate Norma Paulus. However, state-wide, democrat Neil Goldschmidt won the race for governor with a 52 percent to 48 per-

cent lead. Warm Springs voters also went with Goldschmidt by voting 143 for him and 91 for Paulus. Paulus' lead over Goldschmidt in Jefferson County was 2,073 to 1,747.

For U.S. Senate, Jefferson County went with Bob Packwood over Rick Bauman by a 2,356 to 1,411 margin. For representative, voters stayed with incumbent Bob Smith over Larry Tuttle, by a margin of

2,188 to 1,635.

For the commissioner of the Bureau of Labor and Industries, Mary Roberts won over Dan Goodhall by a margin of 2,526 to 1,212. State representatives Bill Balamy defeated Anzie Adams by 2,480 votes to 1,249 votes.

Jefferson County Commissioner Gordon Shown was re-elected, as were County Assessor Cecil Zemke and County Clerk Elaine Henderson. Andrew Morrow, Charles Forman and Doug Middlestetter were all elected to the Jefferson County Soil and Water Conservation District. Each position carries a four-year term. Mike Sullivan was re-elected Jefferson County District Attorney and Verne Duncan was re-elected Superintendent and Public Instruction.

Jefferson County voters defeated the \$3.6 million tax base for Jefferson County School District by a margin of 1,629 to 1,265. Madras voters elected Rick Allen as their mayor over Jay Binder and elected Janet Cowden Brown, Larry Easter, Joe Krenowicz and Diane McDonald to the City Council. Mike Bean and Frank Reese were also in the running for City Council positions.

Of the 16 ballot measures, Jefferson County voted "yes" on seven measures and "no" on nine. Area votes voted yes on measure numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 10 and 13. Defeated were measures numbers 5, 6, 7, 9, 11, 12, 14, 15 and 16. Jefferson County voters cast their ballots exactly as did voters state-wide.

Resort to close

The Kah-Nee-Ta Village will be closed November 1, 1986 through January 2, 1987. The purpose of the closure will be to refurbish/repair the main pool. Come see the new pool in January.

The Kah-Nee-Ta Lodge will close its doors on November 16, 1986, and is scheduled to reopen on March 12, 1987. Major refurbishment, repairs, and other small work are scheduled to be done. Hope to see you soon.

Adoption referendum
Tuesday, Nov. 18
Vote
at the
Community Center

WEATHER		
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OCT.	HI	LOW
21	71	34
22	71	34
23	65	34
24	72	41
25	80	48
26	69	46
27	63	39
28	54	33
29	48	40
30	53	38
31	61	41
NOV.		
1	46	36
2	55	41
3	48	28
4	53	38



Re-elected for another term, U.S. Representative from the second district Bob Smith stopped by Warm Springs prior to the November 4 election to discuss tribal concerns with tribal leaders.