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Strikers set up a picket line at the WSFPI scale entrance Monday morning and halted the delivery of logs. The trucks were later unloaded at the mill by a non-WSFPI employee. Log hauling will not resume until the mill reopens.

improvements that will restore WSFPI to a competitive position in the lumber business. Based on these problems and the anticipated capital needs for mill improvements, WSFPI management could not meet the terms of recent settlements by other mills in the Northwest.

Strikers will receive \$60 per week strike pay, explained Coe. To receive the strike pay, a person must belong to the union and spend four hours a day on the picket line. Coe, who has worked at WSFPI just over two years and has been president of the local union since June of this year, had no comment on when strikers would receive their pay.

As of Tuesday, the local union had "right at" 200 members, Coe said. Approximately 35 Indians, including tribal members, have signed up in the past two weeks—15 of those on Monday alone. The \$125 initiation fee was reduced to \$35 so that it "is easier for those

who want to join," said Coe. Not all employees were in favor of the strike, as was evidenced by the 43-41 margin vote on Sunday. Approximately 55 of the tribal members and affiliates who are employees, have signed up to work. Some of those have assumed security and fire watch responsibilities at the mill. Tribal members, those married into the Tribe and Indians of other tribes comprise approximately 54 percent of the work force.

Said Coe of the strike, "We stopped production to reinforce our position. They need us there to run the operation efficiently...the strike has been very peaceful—we don't want trouble. We want to exercise our constitutional rights."

WSFPI management expects that operations will resume within a few days.

No further meetings between WSFPI management and union representatives have been scheduled.

Man indicted by grand jury

On August 10 the Jefferson County grand jury returned a true bill on evidence presented by the Jefferson County District Attor-

ney Bill Hanlon against Merris Wallulatum, Jr., 24, Warm Springs. Wallulatum was charged with

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Sanders indicted

Based on evidence gathered in the death of Kevin Little George, Rosanna Sanders, 21, Warm Springs, was indicted by the Jefferson County grand jury August 10. Little George died July 21 from injuries he sustained in a single car accident July 15. Sanders was the driver of the car in which Little George was a passenger.

Sanders was indicted on charges of manslaughter in the second degree and driving while under the influence of intoxicants.

According to police reports the car had been traveling westbound on highway 26 when it hit the left shoulder of the highway at mile-

post 109.3, went out of control and then traveled across the highway going off into the canyon. The car traveled about 200 feet into the canyon, all four occupants were thrown from the car. Little George was transported to St. Charles Medical Center in Bend by Air Life helicopter. He died five days later.

Other passengers in the car were Urban Gibson and Anthony Davis. Sanders, Gibson and Davis were treated at Mt. View Hospital and released.

Arraignment for Sanders is scheduled for August 12 at which time she will hear the charges read. At that time she can enter a plea.

Nine excluded for drug charges

Eight people were cited on drug or narcotic related crimes and removed from the Warm Springs Indian reservation within the last several months, according to Bureau of Indian Affairs investigator Rob Moran.

A ninth person, William David McSweeney, 35, 3554 Northwest Schuyler, Portland, was arrested and taken to the U.S. Marshall's office in Portland where he was held until he preliminary hearing July 14. He was arrested for being in possession of more than two ounces of cocaine, crack and narcotic paraphernalia according to the complaint signed by the BIA investigator. At the time of the preliminary hearing before U.S. Magistrate George Juba it was determined there was enough probable cause for the charges. McSweeney

was appointed a public defender, Steve Sady, and released on his own recognizance with conditions. Those conditions being: that he actively seek employment, maintain his current address, not leave the state of Oregon, report to his probation officer regularly, not

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Assistant pharmacist at the IHS Clinic Weldon Roberts (right) recently received an achievement award from Service Unit Director Lee Loomis. The award cited, among other things, Roberts' "high quality of work, dedication to care of patients and his contributions to the pharmacy."

Head Start registration begins

It's Head Start registration time and time to get your child ready for the Head Start program. If your child will be three or four years old on or before September 1, 1988, he or she is eligible to enroll in one of our two programs, Head Start or Tribal Preschool.

Head Start is located at the Community Center. There are two classes of three-year olds: a Monday-Wednesday-Friday class and a Tuesday-Thursday class. There are two, four-year old daily classes. Our Head Start program hours for the children are 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. with breakfast and lunch being served daily.

Tribal Preschool is located at the Presbyterian Church. The program is available for tribal member children, ages three and four. Hours for Tribal Preschool children are 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon, with a snack only being served daily.

Please come by the Head Start office today to pick up your child's registration packet. Required information you will need to complete in the registration packet includes proof of income—a paycheck stub from the 10th of the month (no draw check stubs), W-2 form, Social Security—a copy of your check or written proof of the amount you receive from the Social Security Administration, Public Assistance (Welfare, Food Stamps, etc.), a copy of your statement of the amount you receive; social security numbers of all adults, 21 years of age or

older living in the same household and two emergency contacts.

A physical examination and immunization are required and an appointment is needed at the IHS clinic if this is your child's first year in the Head Start or Tribal Preschool programs. Physical exam and immunization forms may be picked up at the Head Start office before your child's visit to the clinic.

The Early Childhood Education Programs (Head Start, Head Start/Day Care, Day Care, Latch-Key and Tribal Preschool) utilizes the Child Care Food Program which is a federal program of the Food and Nutrition Service, United States Department of Agriculture. It is operated in accordance with the USDA policy, which does not permit discrimination because of race, color, national origin, handicap, age, religion or sex, in the meal service, admissions pol-

icy, or use of any Child Care Food Program facility. Any person who believes that he or she has been discriminated against in any USDA-related activity should write immediately to the Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250. Accompanying this article are the Income Eligibility Requirements to which the Early Childhood Education program must adhere.

Space is limited and we will accept completed registration packets on a "first come, first serve" basis. It is very important to come to the Head Start Office to begin registering your child(ren).

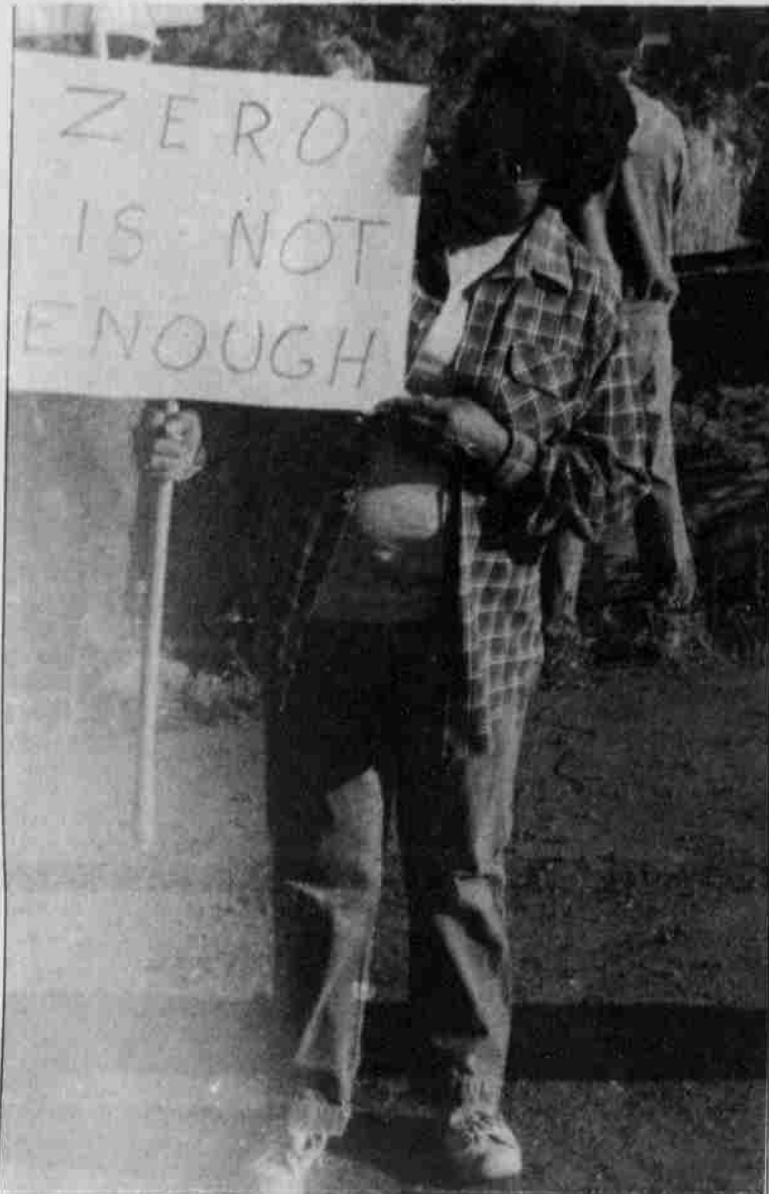
For further information, please contact Nancy Kirk, 553-1161, ext. 241 or 242, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. We encourage you to register your child with our programs—it's a new world of learning for your child and yourself.

Income Eligibility Guidelines July 1, 1988—June 30, 1989

Household Size	Year	Month	Week
1	\$10,675	890	206
2	14,301	1,192	276
3	17,927	1,494	345
4	21,553	1,797	415
5	25,179	2,099	485
6	28,805	2,401	554
7	32,431	2,703	624
8	36,057	3,005	694
For each additional family member	+3,626	+303	+70



Geologist Mel Ashwill explains formation of the Deschutes River canyon to students participating in Recreation department outing at Lake Billy Chinook, August 5.



Tribal member Caroline Torrez was among strikers who joined forces in the Monday morning walkout.

Some BIA employees to be drug tested

More than one-third of the Bureau of Indian Affairs' work force of nearly 14,000 employees have been placed in Interior's drug "testing designated position(s)" (TDP) and will be random tested for the use of illegal drugs.

In a July 5 memorandum to all Department of Interior's 70,000 employees, Secretary Don Hodel said he fully appreciated some of the concerns that employees may have about the drug testing program. "However," he said, "we want to assure you that the program has been designed with the utmost concern for maintaining each individual's privacy and dignity. We ask your complete professional and personal dedication to achieving a drug-free workplace." Hodel urged employees to make the program work "for the sake of you, your family and the public."

Interior's TDP pool of employees—about 25 percent—fall within

the "sensitive" position category and includes top management, law enforcement, regulatory, aviation, vehicle operation and administrative positions.

"In addition, BIA has many employees whose jobs include responsibility for students and others temporarily within their care and must be placed in the drug testing category," said Ross Swimmer, Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs. Those positions include teachers and dormitory aides, bus drivers and heavy equipment operators. "We must do everything within our power to ensure that our employees are not using illegal drugs, especially those entrusted with the care and training of impressionable young people," Swimmer said. "We want it known that the use of illegal drugs will not be tolerated in the workplace," he added.

Hodel's memorandum implements President Reagan's Septem-

ber 15, 1986 executive order, Drug-Free Federal Workplace, establishing a policy prohibiting the use of illegal drugs by federal employees, whether on duty or off duty. His memorandum will be followed in 30 days with an individual notice to all employees (which they will be required to sign upon receipt) in TDP notifying them they are in a testing designated position and that random testing will begin. No other notice of testing will be given. The drugs to be tested for are marijuana, cocaine, opiates, amphetamines and phencyclidine (PCP).

Testing samples will be handled under the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Scientific and Technical Guidelines. If a test shows positive, that sample will be retested using an extremely accurate confirmation test. As an added safeguard, these second verified positive results will be reported to the Department's medical review official for review. If a second test is verified positive, the employee will be referred to the Department's Employee Assistance Program (EAP) where they can receive counseling or rehabilitation, as well as education and training regarding illegal drug use. Action will be initiated to discipline any employee found to use illegal drugs.

However, if an employee voluntarily admits his or her use prior to being identified as a user, completes counseling or an EAP, and thereafter refrains from drug use, such discipline is not required. If a second random testing shows positive, action will be initiated to remove the employee from the federal service.

Hodel pointed out in his memorandum that confidentiality is a critical aspect of the department's plan. "Positive results verified by the Medical Director may only be disclosed to the employee, the appropriate EAP administrator, the appropriate management officials necessary to process adverse action against the employee, or a court of law or administrative tribunal reviewing an adverse personnel action," he said.

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