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Coyote News In Brief

White sets up childcare
Charlene White established the Quail Trail Day Care center January 3. Business is brisk as she has plenty of children to care for. **Page 2**

Circus on its way
The King Royal Brothers Circus will make an appearance in Warm Springs September 10 with two performances. **Page 2**

Like the weather?
Temperatures have been causing the mercury to rise over the past three months. **Page 2**

Fundraising Carnival held
The Warm Springs Fastpitch team held a carnival recently to help fund their way to national finals in Reno. **Page 3**

AIDS/HIV information offered
Information about the fatal disease will open your eyes. Testing is completely confidential at the Health and Wellness Center. **Page 5**

Indian education legislation on track
Congressional action has put legislation concerning Indian education in the forefront and on schedule for this fall. **Page 5**

Students complete work program
Over 120 Warm Springs youth were involved with the Summer Work program. Several received commendations from their supervisors as outstanding employees. **Page 8**

We're looking for interesting and unusual story ideas--be it funny, be it a special accomplishment such as raising a student's GPA, or a big "game" story (the one that didn't get away.) Drop us a line or give us a call and we'll take it from there.

Deadline for the next Spilyay Tymoo will be Friday, August 26

Feds target tribes for diminished fish runs

The four Columbia River treaty tribes have consistently sought comprehensive protection for Snake River fall Chinook at all stages of the life cycle, in other words, from spawning gravel to spawning gravel. Now, the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) has chosen to target the tribal fishery rather than to address mainstem passage, fish production and ocean harvests.

"The tribes are indignant--our fishery has a minuscule effect on total Snake River fall Chinook mortalities," said Ted Strong, executive director for the Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission (CRITFC). "We're looking for a comprehensive approach and NMFS is only dealing with us. According to federal court decisions, the tribal harvest should be the last impact that gets restricted."

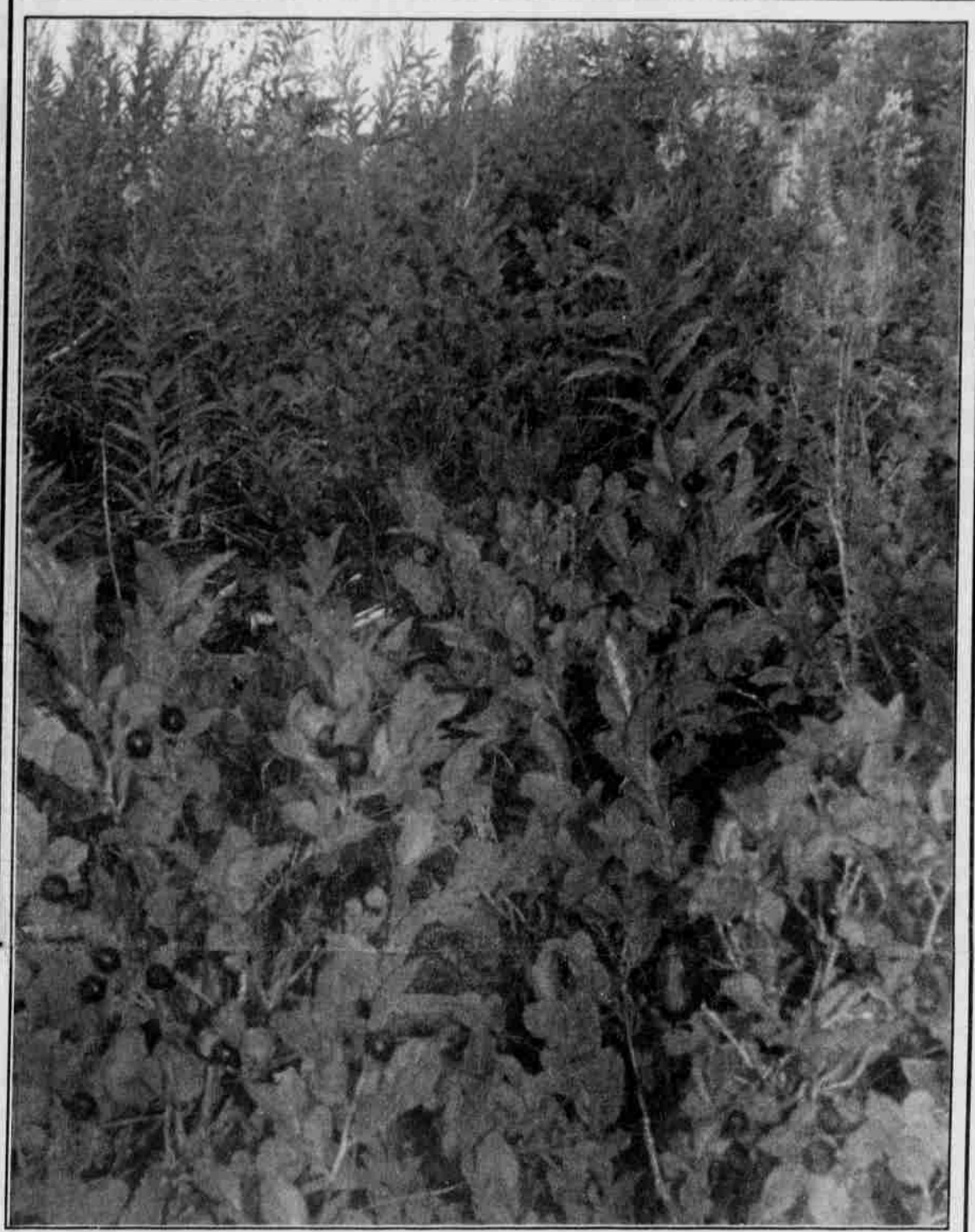
NMFS drafted a jeopardy opinion that has closed the Columbia River sports fishery. The federal fish agency is now asking the tribes to take the same action and close their fisheries. This year's return of wild Snake River

fall Chinook is estimated at 800 fish. A jeopardy ruling under the Endangered Species Act (ESA) means a particular activity must be altered to dramatically lessen or eliminate its impacts on a listed species.

State and tribal biologists estimated that tribal fishers could harvest as many as 32,500 fall Chinook and as of yet an undetermined amount of steelhead without endangering Snake River fall Chinook stocks. To minimize the impact on weak stocks, such as the Snake River fall Chinook, the fisheries would need to occur later in August or in September. The tribes have asked the Columbia River Compact to meet on August 16, at which time the tribes plan to present a fall season proposal.

In the meantime, the tribes have asked NMFS for an August 8 response to tribal recommendations for a fall fishery and for immediate actions to improve adult fish passage and to

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Huckleberry bushes were plentiful this year at High Rock and many other areas.

**Fire Aid Concert
to benefit
Prineville Hot Shots Memorial and
LeClaire Fire Fund
Jefferson County Fairgrounds
Friday, August 19
7 p.m. to 12 midnight
Performances by Larry Frost, Glass Chunk,
Old Spice and Big Daddy Bruce
An alcohol and drug-free event
Tickets at Outpost or at the door**

Council sets fishing restrictions for Sherar's Falls

Citing tribal sovereignty, conservation and low Chinook returns, the Tribal Council of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, through resolution #8911, has restricted fishing at Sherar's Falls beginning August 8 and continuing through September 22, 1994.

Following is the resolution.

"Whereas, the Treaty with the Tribes and Bands of Middle Oregon on June 25, 1855 reserved to the Confederated Tribes of the Warm

Springs Reservation of Oregon off-reservation fishing rights at all usual and accustomed stations, including Sherar's Falls on the Deschutes River; and

"Whereas, the Tribal Council regulates treaty Indian fishing at Sherar's Falls for conservation and other purposes pursuant to the inherent sovereign authority reserved in the Treaty of June 25, 1855, and pursuant to the Tribal Constitution and the Warm Springs Tribal Code;

and

"Whereas, the Tribal Council has been advised by the Fish and Wildlife Committee and the Natural Resources Department that the predicted low return in 1994 of Deschutes River summer/fall Chinook salmon destined to pass above Sherar's Falls will require restriction on the treaty Indian fishery for summer/fall Chinook salmon at Sherar's Falls; and

"Whereas, the Tribal Council

recognizes the hardship placed on Tribal members with harvest closures, as adopted by Resolution in the past, but with the concern for the future of the fishery resource; now therefore,

"Be it resolved, by the Tribal Council of the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon pursuant to Article V Section 1 (e) of the Tribal Constitution and Warm Springs Tribal Code Section 340.310 (2), that the following

regulations are hereby adopted for the 1994 treaty Indian fishery at Sherar's Falls during the summer/fall Chinook time period.

1. Beginning August 8, 1994, all harvest of Chinook salmon shall cease. Harvest of hatchery steelhead may continue, but Chinook salmon and unmarked steelhead must be released and returned to the river. The prohibition of Chinook harvest shall continue through September 22, 1994.
2. Beginning September 23, 1994, the harvest of Chinook salmon shall be permitted. The harvest of Chinook salmon shall cease when the total catch of adults total 60 fish. The harvest of hatchery steelhead shall continue, but any Chinook salmon caught after the 60 fish harvest ceiling has been reached, must be released and returned to the river.
3. Beginning August 12, 1994 and ending October 31, 1994, fishing will be conducted from 6 a.m. Friday, to 12 noon Sunday for hatchery steelhead only.
4. Chinook salmon harvest will be: September 23, 1994 at 6 a.m. to September 25, 1994 at 12 noon; and
- September 30, 1994 at 6 a.m. to October 2, 1994 at 12 noon.
5. Further harvest of Chinook salmon will be determined by the Department of Natural Resources monitoring project under their Fish and Wildlife program.
6. The Natural Resources Department and Police Department shall closely monitor the fishery and strictly enforce the regulations requiring release and return of unmarked steelhead and Chinook caught prior to September 23, 1994 and after the 60 adults harvest ceiling has been reached, as well as the provision of WSTC 340.210 (8) requiring that setnets and hoopnets are attended continuously."

The above resolution was approved and signed August 8, 1994.

Work on Campus continues; completion due by September



Dick Souers, and crew prepare to put in cement curbs throughout the campus area.

Construction crews have begun to put in cement curbing along Campus roads this week, according to construction supervisor Dick Souers. The next thing to come after the curbing is to start oiling the gravel before they pave the roads. Souers hopes that the project will be completed by the end of August, if everything goes well.

After the curbs are up and the paving is completed, the next thing they will be doing is putting in sidewalks along the basketball courts and in front of the post office, the Court building and other buildings around the Campus.

The project began last year with the installation of new water and sewer lines. The entire project will include new road surfaces on all Campus roads. A total of \$800,000.00 dollars was funded by the BIA to complete the project according to Souers.

Photo by Bob Medina