



## 25 years ago in the Spilyay

From August 1976

### "Like a science fiction story" Swine Flu Potential Killer

Scientists have identified a potentially dangerous strain of flu virus similar to the 1918-1919 flu which swept the world causing a phenomenal and staggering number of deaths. It is a particularly potent strain and has the capability to sweep the country this Fall.

The virus was first discovered in February of this when a young U.S. Army recruit at Ford Dix, New Jersey died within 48 hours of reporting to sick call. Analysis of a throat swab revealed none of the three commonly recurring human viruses. Further study revealed that the virus resembled a type ordinarily found only in swine, and that other recruits around were infected by the swine-type virus.

Blood samples of persons who survived the great worldwide flu catastrophe of 1918-19 showed that the virus found in the stricken Fort Dix recruit also resembled the virus responsible for the earlier epidemic which claimed 20 million lives, a half million of them in the United States.

### Spilyay Visits 4-H Camp

Our friend Spilyay trotted up to the Crystal Springs 4-H Camp in the Ochocos and arrived just in time to find that he was the subject of one of the wildlife classes.

With embarrassment he listened to Vern Maw, the new Predator Control Agent for the Prineville Extension Office, tell the campers about the dangers of the coyote and the need for "control." At that point Spilyay decided to change himself into two reporters so he could prowl about the camp at no risk.

What he saw was 85 kids aged 9-12 having great fun and learning about their environment in the week-long camp sponsored by the OSU Extension Service's 4-H program. Nine kids from Warm Springs attended: Allie Smith, Jamie Smith, Lois Squiemphen, Irma Wahnetah, Nadine Meanus, Missy Stills, Butch Miller, Vernon Tias and Stephen Smith. Sue Gangler, the Warm Springs Extension Agent, acted as supervisor and adviser as well as a plants teacher.

The purposes of the camp were twofold, according to Ms. Gangler. One was to provide a fun and educational experience for kids in a natural environment. The other was leadership development for the 15 teenage counselors.

### Year-long Study Offers Plan, Changes

As a result of intensive deliberations at Kah-Nee-Ta Lodge, the American Indian Policy Review Commissions Reservation and Resource Development and Protection Task Force has arrived at some of the most far-ranging and comprehensive recommendations for improvement of Indian economic development in contemporary times.

The discussions held in the Council Room at Kah-Nee-Ta were chaired by the following Task Force members: Peter MacDonald - Task Force chairman (Navajo) Ken Smith - General Manager of the Confederated Tribes at Warm Springs, and Phillip Martin - former chairman ( Choctaw Nation).

Task Force has, for one year, studied the barriers and obstacles to Indian economic development by researching and making site visitations to 32 Indian Reservations. The purpose of the study is to propose solutions, make recommendations, and offer suggestions.

Two new powerful entities, and Indian Development Authority and a Trust Protection Council, have been proposed and are in final draft form.

### Walton Clinic Attracts Many

A basketball clinic at the Warm Springs Community Center by Bill Walton on August 2-3, 1976, was a big success.

Walton, a member of the Portland Trail Blazers pro basketball team and a member of the national collegiate champions, UCLA, was here on Monday and Tuesday talking to the kids, and showing his ability as a basketball player.

Walton grew up in the Suburbs of San Diego, California. Walton was not only a basketball player as he had participated in several other sports while in school. But he said basketball seemed to be his speciality. His high school team won three city championships, but due to certain rules that state, that was as far as they could go.

When entering college at UCLA in Los Angeles, he devoted more time to basketball under the helm of the great coach John Wooden. While in college Walton has played basketball with other greats from UCLA who are now in the pro ranks like Sidney Wicks, Curtis Rowe, Richard Washington, who is from Oregon, and many others.

## Council sets levels for logging

Tribal Council recently approved the annual allowable cut, which regulates each year's timber harvest on the Warm Springs Reservation, at 37.6 million board feet. An additional 2.5 million board feet may be taken from the pine ground each year if the trees are diseased, insect-damaged, overstocked, or suitable for salvage.

The Forestry Planning Department calculated the most recent annual allowable cut based on information extracted from each forest planning unit.

In the past the volume was calculated on a reservation-wide basis.

Each of the 14 forest planning units will have a sustained-yield harvest established for the 10-year planning period. For example, if a unit produces 100 million board feet of timber every 10 years, the annual allowable cut would be 10 million.

Volume calculated for one planning unit will not be charged to another, which means specific units will not be over-harvested to meet targets in another area.

The previous, forest-wide annual allowable cut was 52 million board feet. That figure included the pine ground, which hasn't been cut in recent years due to a moratorium imposed by Tribal Council.

## Summit looks at development

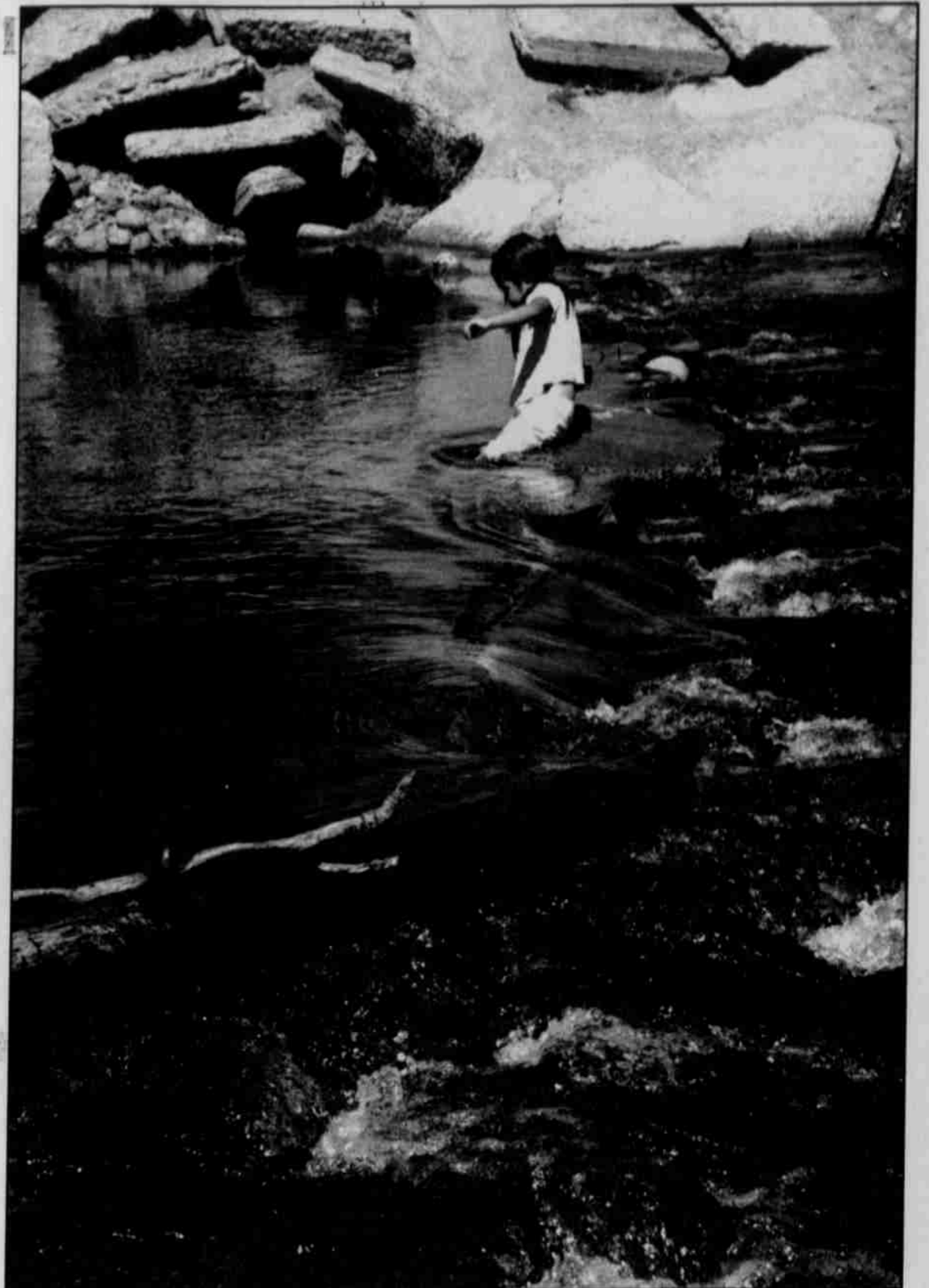
Yakama Nation Cultural Tourism and Economic Development Summit will run Aug. 16-17 at the Heritage Center Complex in Toppenish, Wash.

The Tourism Division of the Yakama Nation has secured nationally recognized tribal leaders who will bring updates regarding issues of interest to all attendees and provide many workshops geared to business development.

Confirmations have arrived from federal, state and local agencies, as well as consultants who will be on site to present hands-on workshops relating to preparation of business/finance plan, marketing plan.

Early registration is encouraged. On-site registration will be held in the Winter Lodge starting at 7:30 Thursday, August 16, 2001.

For more information, please call 865-5121, ext. 4753 or see <http://www.discoveryyakama.com> for a draft agenda and on-line registration.



Photos by Jerry Brunoe

When dams like this one on Shitike Creek are built, gaps should be left in deep portions of the water.

## Play should consider salmon

The Fish and Wildlife Department is asking swimmers to think about migrating salmon when they build recreational dams for swimming.

Salmon migrations are currently underway in Shitike, Mill and Beaver creeks. The fish are en route to spawning grounds, where they will produce future runs of chinook salmon.

As the fish move upstream they are sometimes confronted with rock barriers built by local swimmers who are trying to escape the heat of summer.

Unfortunately, the barriers that create excellent swimming holes for humans can also become insurmountable obstacles to salmon.

To avoid potential problems for salmon, the Fish and Wild-



life staff recommends leaving a minimum two-foot gap in recreational dams so fish can pass without difficulty. Gaps should be placed in deep water portions of the main channel, giving salmon the right-of-way to their spawning grounds.

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