

Tribal Group Asks Election For Delegates to Congress

By HALE SCARBROUGH

A petition bearing the names of 132 members of the Klamath Indian tribe has been delivered to the reservation superintendent's office asking that a referendum election be called for vote on nine subjects.

The tribal council in its most recent meeting failed to call an election and the Indian service legal council is being asked for an opinion on how an election can be scheduled without action of the tribal council.

The petition was drawn up by Wade Crawford, one-time reservation superintendent and tribal delegate to Washington, who has been a leader of a group wanting to liquidate the Klamath reservation.

Some of the subjects the petition goes into may not be qualified for a referendum vote in that the present tribal constitution, adopted in February, 1950, provides for referendum on matters upon which the tribal council acted after the constitution adoption.

No general tribal election for delegates to Washington was held this year, and the petition asks that such an election be called. It nominates as candidates Wade Crawford, Ida M. Crawford, Tommy Kirk, Hi Robbins, Dorothy McAnulty, Wernie Foster, Dibbon Cook, Jack Jones and Delford Lang; three to be chosen. Present delegates are Robbins, Boyd Jackson and Dice Crane.

In the past delegates have been elected on a yearly basis. But on July 7, 1950, the tribal council voted to keep the delegates elected later in authority for the duration of the 82nd congress. Second session of the 82nd congress convenes in January.

The petition also asks election of an eight-member business committee, and nominates Wade Crawford, Ida Crawford, Louella Anderson, Evelyn Cheraldo, John Copeland, Tommy Decker, Dorothy McAnulty, James Johnson, Eddie Cookman, Ted Crum, Hi Robbins, Sammy Godowa, Seldon Kirk and De-

At present there is no business committee. Some months ago it was absorbed into an executive committee, which itself is without power and hasn't met for a year.

Kirk, Robbins, Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Crawford are elected members of that executive committee, along with Dibbon Cook, Crane, Wernie Foster, Boyd Jackson and Evans Nelson.

Other questions suggested for referendum include:

Approval or disapproval of the tribal constitution and by-laws.

The practice of not allowing an opportunity for correction of minutes of council meetings.

Whether a tribal loan board member may hold another tribal job.

Purchase and disposition of food for council sessions.

Increases in cattle and sheep grazing fees.

Retroactive increases in pay to loan board members and employees.

Regular reports of activities of the loan board.

Air Crash Near U.S. Record

By The Associated Press

The death toll of 56 persons in yesterday's air crash at Elizabeth, N.J., is topped by only one other commercial plane disaster in the United States.

In the nation's worst commercial plane wreck, a New York-to-Minneapolis airliner plunged into Lake Michigan on June 24, 1950, with a loss of 58 lives.

Fifty-five persons were killed in an airliner that collided with a fighter plane near Washington.

The National Geographic Society says the Chinese drilled wells 1000 years ago with bamboo pipe.

The lumbering town of Cleveland Nova Scotia, was named in honor of Cleveland in 1891.

Two other commercial plane crashes each have brought death to 53 persons: near Port Deposit, Md., on May 30, 1947; and in the Atlantic off San Juan, Puerto Rico, on June 7, 1949.

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The Bank of England announced the spot cash price of the pound, still officially pegged at \$2.80, will be allowed to bounce as much as two cents either way on a limited "free" foreign exchange market that opened this morning.

Such dealings on a fixed basis have been a monopoly of the state-owned Bank of England since September, 1949.

The foreign exchange transactions may be carried on only by or on behalf of individuals and business firms which have Bank of England approval to spend dollars for such things as necessary imports.

This rules out purely speculative operations which were a feature of the pre-war free exchange market.

Pound-dollar dealings for future delivery of the currency purchased also will be permitted within what the Bank of England regards as reasonable limits.

The bank said spot cash pounds would be permitted for the time being to range in value from 10.56 to 10.72 Dutch guilders and from 912 to 988 French francs. In addition to their dollar limits of \$2.78 to \$2.82.

There is no physical foreign exchange market in Britain. It consists of the foreign exchange departments of more than 100 banks and brokerage houses plus five firms of foreign exchange brokers. They "make" the market by exchanging bid and asked prices on a network of interlocking telephone lines.

There was no immediate indication of how the pound was faring in these strictly private transactions.

If the pound shows a serious weakening or a sharp rise in value on a supply and demand basis, the Bank of England will step into the market and buy or sell to keep the quotation in line.

PROBE
TUCUMCARI, N.M. (U.P.)—A theory that structural failure toppled a second-hand city water tank here gained strength today. Still not entirely ruled out, however, was the possibility of sabotage in this eastern New Mexico town's 1,250,000-gallon flood early Thursday. Deaths of four persons prompted a continuing investigation.

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