

Museum Committee Organized

By JOSEPHINE ZADINA
CHILQUIN — The Klamath Tribal Executive Committee passed a resolution early in 1964 asking that the Chilquin Chamber of Commerce be contacted to form a committee to establish a memorial museum.

Upon receiving the request, a standing committee to act as the museum committee until the museum was fully established was appointed. Committee members need not be chamber members, but the majority must be of Indian descent. Those members now serving are Dibbon Cook, chairman; William West, secretary; Dwight Kircher, Charles Litcher, Ronnie Wilson, Lefty Wilder and Gita Wampler.

After a great deal of work and planning, the Klamath Memorial Museum opened its doors to a special "Gift Day" on Nov. 11, held in the Chilquin City Hall, temporarily housing the museum. Many old and interesting artifacts were received, some as gifts and others as loans. Among the first donors were Delphine Parazo, bringing gifts from the Sioux nation, Corrine Hicks and Eva Biele from the Klamath Reservation.

The net proceeds from the 1964 World Champion All-Indian Basketball Tournament were turned over to the museum to further the work of the committee.

Remodeling is now under way in larger quarters in the city hall, where the museum will be moved upon the completion of the work.

Chairman Cook says the committee is still seeking anything depicting the history of the Klamath, Modoc or other Indian tribes. Each item will be carefully catalogued and protected.

"It is a community gift that can never be evaluated, a gift to the boys and girls, men and women of future generations, who otherwise might never realize the contribution the Indian people made," says Cook.



1964 TOURNAMENT COURT — Each year when the annual World Champion All-Indian Invitational Basketball Tournament gets underway, five young ladies of the Klamath Indian community are selected to compete for the title of queen to reign over the grand festivities of the tournament. Pictured above is the 1964 court. Left to right are Princess Beverly Hicks, Queen Regina Farris, Princess Delores Case, Princess Carrie Jackson and Princess Jackie Cruma.

All-Indian Basketball Tournament Gains Renown For Chilquin Area

By JOSEPHINE ZADINA
CHILQUIN — The city of Chilquin is quickly having its name placed firmly on the map through the renown of the World Champion All-Indian Invitational Basketball Tournament.

The tournament was begun in 1954 by a group of Indian basketball fans who were interested in seeing the many Indian basketball teams of the West Chilquin Chamber of Commerce picked up the promotion and kept it and the tournament toment rolling at full tilt in 1964.

Many new features were introduced to the program last year to give it extra color and interest. One of the additions to the long list of activities is the Queen's Banquet, which honors the queen of the tournament and the girls selected to compete in the current contest for title of queen.

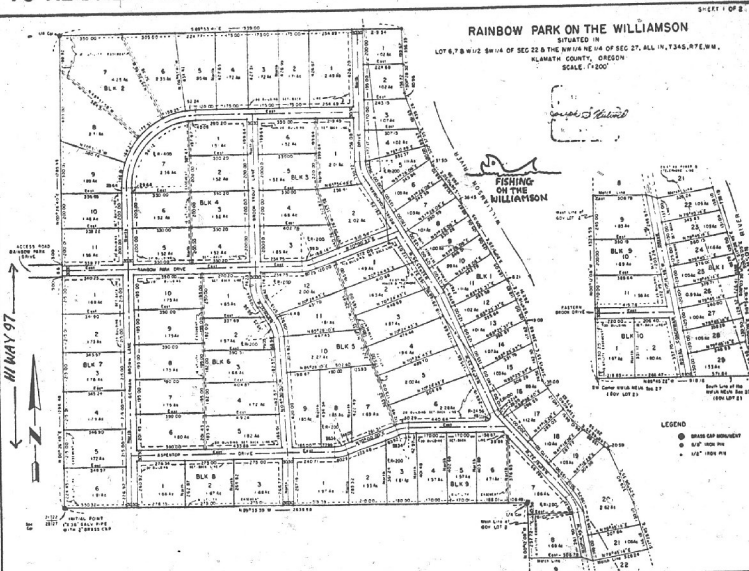
Through the banquet, the participants that represent a goodie is given a chance to become better acquainted with the Indian maidens chosen to represent the community during the event. Last year approximately 200 persons attended the dinner and met the 1963 queen, Linda Jimenez, and the 1964 candidate, Regina Farris was later chosen as the 1964 queen with Beverly Hicks, Carrie Jackson and Delores Case reigning as her princesses.

Another added event was the selection of a mascot during the Elimination Tournament to preside during the main tournament held in March. Indian boys between the ages of five and eight

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