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Diagnostic Council Meets;  
Identifies Indian Problems

By Donna Armstrong

On Nov. 20, the first American Indian Diagnostics Council was held in Wichita, Kans. The Council, while being concerned mainly with Indians in Kansas and Oklahoma, was an attempt to identify and diagnose problems that confront Indian people today.

The four days of the Council were used for workshops in nine different areas of Indian problems: Alcoholism, Co-ops, Economics, Education, Employment, Health, Legal Services and Housing, Public Awareness and Small Business Administration. Each of these were headed by resource people who had backgrounds in these specific areas.

In addition there were guest speakers at each of the luncheons and dinners held every day except Thursday. Friday evening, Superintendent Daniel Sahaumant presented a speech with the title, "Indian Youth in Indian Schools." Some of the points that he made were that Indian youth are intelligent and concerned about the problems facing them today. He also mentioned that Indian schools would be here as long as there is a need for them to exist.

Students from several area Indian schools were present at the Council. The schools represented were Haskell Indian Junior College, Sequoyah, Seneca, Ft. Sill, Riverside and Chilocco. Those from Chilocco who attended were Claudine Cansler, Carmen Ortiz, Myra Lee, Lloyd Brown, Vyola Jacobs, Dwight Riggs, Stella

OIO Starts at Chilocco  
Club Elects Officers

By Pat Puyette

OIO means Oklahoma Indian Opportunity which is to assist mainly the minority people of Oklahoma, the Indian people. OIO sponsors scholarships to students selected by committee. The first meeting of the Chilocco OIO was held on Nov. 16, called by Chairman Joe Herrin. Co-Chairman is Mrs. Mary Clary and assistant sponsor is Mr. Sam Sanders. During the meeting they elected officers.

The president is Kay Williams, Vice-president is Karen Williams and secretary is Johnna Williams. The treasurer is Ramona Old Bear and the Sergeant at Arms is Thomasine Grass. The next meeting was held Dec. 1 in Bldg. 8, Room 6.

Vielle, Levi Jefferson, Bert Hunter and Donna Armstrong.

## HONOR ROLL

## 1st Quarter 1970

**SENIORS**—Wilma Lynn Thomas, 3.640; James Edward Azure, 3.540; Alex Yazzie, 3.540; Lehman Coyote, 3.500; Donna Armstrong, 3.333; Beverly Ann Swaney, 3.200; Stella Vielle, 3.200; Larry Mike Carson, 3.059; Roderick DeCoteau, 3.000.

**JUNIORS**—Karen Tewawina, 3.525; Daryl Dick, 3.140; Winifred Bourdon, 3.000.

**SOPHOMORES**—Leslie Parker, 3.650; Linda Yazzie, 3.208; Shirley Wakolee, 3.083; Mary Felter, 3.000.

**FRESHMEN**—Rita Ortiz, 3.150; Laverne Kitchkommie, 3.114; Tina Newman, 3.084; Dennis Shelby, 3.063.

Lambert Visits Campus;  
Concerned for Indians

By Rita Cooper

Recently, Miss Ann Lambert, a Sioux, originally from Montana visited the Chilocco campus. She is working in cooperation with the Office of Indian Education under Health, Education and Welfare in Washington, D.C. She will be touring many of the Bureau of Indian Affairs Schools. Miss Lambert's main function will be to gain a better idea of the student's views and attitudes.

Miss Lambert presented the following opinion, "I honestly believe that the Indian youth today have a great potential. The Indian people do have many problems and I feel that one of the answers is education. The students here at Chilocco must learn to work together, not as Indian tribes, but a united tribal nation. The Indian must be proud and never settle for second best. Each student must speak out, learn to criticize constructively and take constructive criticism. They must never "give up" for that is the easy way out. Because we are a minority, we are quickly judged. So, stay proud, have faith and think Indian."

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OLYMPIC CHAMPION Billy Mills, a recent visitor to the Chilocco campus, enjoys the noon meal with Lisa Winnier, Sue Tewawina, Whitney Grey, Bill Jefferson, Stella Vielle and Raymond Campa. (Spicer-Cowen)

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## EDITORIAL

# All Schools Have Problems

By Lillie Little Sun

Many of the students here at Chilocco feel they would be better off at a public school. They fail to realize that all schools, not only Chilocco have their problems. Students only think of going home to have "freedom." Think back now, freedom from what? Is freedom being watched every minute you walk into a store or shopping center? Or is it being judged by your skin color and not yourself? You may think that you'll ignore all this, but how can you when it's everywhere you go? How can you be proud when you're being put down? This is a problem every Indian has to face. Some do ignore it and a lot of them succeed in beating it. You say Chilocco is too strict or for some other reason, you don't like it here.

How do you expect to get anywhere away from Indians when you can't realize your responsibility here. How do you expect to go to another school and get along when a lot of you can't even get along with other Indians here. We should work together, if not, we have only ourselves to blame for the way we are treated. The way society treats us is our fault because we are not united and even though we don't want to be assimilated into the kind of society that has made us what we are, we have no choice. We are the next generation that can help our people. Indians are economically and socially at the bottom of all levels in this country. We at Chilocco have a big advantage if only we take notice of it. Sure a lot of us will have misunderstandings, yet are we mature enough to settle it ourselves?

We get mad, make promises, yet we make no effort to better ourselves. When the time comes that someone asked about an American, they will ask whether they are an Indian, White, Negro or Mexican. We have made a start to equality.

## Christmas Program Plans Are Being Finalized Now

Final plans are being made for the annual Christmas program to be presented on Friday, Dec. 18. The Fine Arts Department is in charge of the program.

Thus far, the program entails the opening number by the Band, directed by Mr. Gerald McCulley. They will play, "The Holy City." Mr. Sahmaunt will give the welcome and Dawn Kaudle Kaule will present in sign language "The Lord's Prayer." She will be accompanied by Mrs. Augustine Barse, Choir Director.

Dr. Tony DiAngelis, Chilocco Dentist will be the narrator for the program. The theme and title of the program is "Good Tidings of Great Joy."

Other plans will be announced later.

## Letters To Editor

The Editor of the *Journal* received this letter and although it is a personal letter, it makes a very important point and is published as follows.

Dear Donna,

Hi there, I hope you remember me from last year—I saw your name in the Chilocco paper and I thought I'd surprise you and write to say hello. I hope you are fine.

Well Donna, how is Chilocco this year? You know I really MISS that school. I never realized how beautiful it was until

I left! I'd really like to know what is going on at Chilocco. I hope there's not too much trouble there this year.

I bet it's really cold over there now, huh? I really want to go over there for a visit—I miss that place really bad.

Tell Mr. Sahmaunt that I said hello and tell him to tell the students that an ex-student said to "Appreciate Chilocco Indian School while you can, because someday you'll miss that place and someday you'll realize what a beautiful campus Chilocco has." That comes from the bottom of my heart, so will you give him the message for me.

Well Donna, I really want to keep in touch with you. Write when you have time and tell them the matrons hello and tell them I miss them very much.

Always a friend,  
Gail

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STUDENT LEADERS, Cecil Dick and Raymond Campa stand before a bulletin board stating some of the leadership qualities that make them President and Vice-president of the Student Council. (Photo Spicer-Cowen)

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SUNDOG VISITED the Chilocco campus. Richard Ballew enters the dancing with other students in the background. (Photo-King-Cowen)

## Awards Assembly Held; Employees Rate High

By Mae Alice John

On Nov. 19, the second annual awards presentation was held in the Auditorium for the staff. Mr. Gabe Paxton, Assistant Area Director presented the awards after a short speech stressing quality work on all levels of the educational field. He urged employees to be creative and innovative. The Chilocco Choir and Orchestra presented several numbers prior to the awards.

Those receiving special achievement awards are Mr. Jack McCarty, Mr. Cleo Wallace and Mr. Everette Werneke.

Mr. Sam Sanders was awarded a quality increase and presented with a certificate of special achievement for superior performance. A commendable service award was given to former Choir director, Mrs. Leona Warren. The length of service awards were given in each of the areas, 10 years, Mrs. Melva Anquoe, Mr. Enos Armstrong, Mrs. Vernis Benton, Mrs. Eleanor Burnette, Mr. Oran Dabney and Mrs. Evangeline Pipestem. Twenty years of service went to Mr. John Dunn, Mrs. Ida Larney, Mr. Coston Nicholson, and Mr. James Larney.

Thirty year service awards were given to Mr. Harvey Lovelace, Mr. Jack McCarty, Mr. Henry McEwin and Mr. Cleo Wallace.

Several awards were given to some members of the Pawnee Agency and the Horton Agency. Members of the Chilocco awards committee are Mr. Nicholson, Mr. John Taylor, Mr. Claude Livingston, Mr. Dee Gregory, Mr. Calvin Cowen and Mr. Jack Talmadge.

## Basketball Team Loses; Travel to Holiday Games

By Eugene Purser

Friday, Nov. 27 and Saturday, Nov. 28, the Chilocco basketball team attended their first tournament of the year. The tournament was held at Fort Sill and the other teams that attended were Riverside and Sequoyah, all Indian boarding schools.

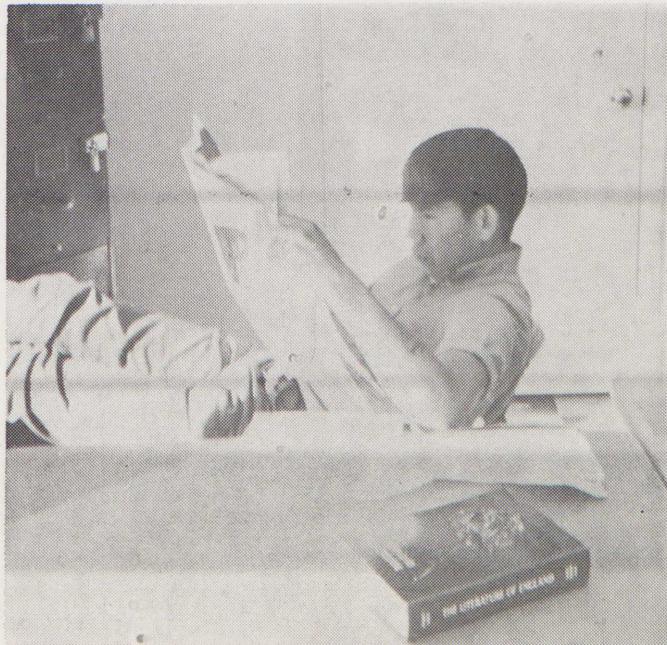
Chilocco played two games, losing both. The first game was against Fort Sill and the score was 86-75. The high scorer of the game was Darrel Dick who scored 23 points followed Lawrence Bighair with 20 and Dwight DeLodge who also had 20.

The second game they played Riverside and lost by a score of 64-57. Chilocco lead at halftime 26-23 and held the lead up until the last three minutes. The high scorer for this game was Roy Spoonhunter who had 16 points, Lawrence Bighair followed with 15 and Dwight DeLodge and Darrel Dick each got 10.

The basketball team as it is now, has 12 players and the team is coached by Horace Taylor and assisted by Leonard Anquoe.

## ALUMNI NEWS

Freda Demoski graduated from Chilocco in 1968 and is now attending the University of Alaska as a sophomore majoring in Business Administration.



THIS IS OUR cartoonist, Bailey LaForge. He spends a lot of time in this position . . . thinking . . . (Photo Spicer-Cowen)



**HOMECOMING QUEEN** Sandy McCloud is joined by her attendants Galedia Grass and Ramona Old Bear at the Homecoming Dance held after the football game. (Photo Herrin-Cowen)

## Fine Arts Gives Holiday Assembly

By Caroline Jenkins

The Fine Arts Department gave a Thanksgiving Assembly on Nov. 25 during the sixth hour to start off the Thanksgiving holiday.

The assembly was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Nicholas Paul. Mrs. Augustine Barse accompanied by Mrs. Pappan on the piano, led by the student body singing the "Star Spangled Banner." Everyone joined in to sing some songs with Mrs. Barse, Mrs. Pappan, Mr.

Gerald McCulley and Miss Gwen Johnson. The Choir, Band and Orchestra performed also. The Choir sang three songs, the first was an Indian song, the second accompanied by strings and band instruments was "Amazing Grace." The Choir, Band and Orchestra joined in the finale, "The Battle Hymn of the Republic."

Superintendent Daniel Sahmaunt made the closing remarks.

## Student Assembly Held; Discuss School Problems

By Donna Armstrong

On Nov. 23 an assembly was held to discuss many recent problems that have arisen on campus, mainly fighting. Mr. Daniel Sahmaunt, Superintendent, introduced Miss Ann Lambert, who was visiting the campus. She gave a short speech stressing the fact that Indians need an education. They need to be concerned about their problems. Miss Lambert felt that a better relationship between students and staff could exist with better communication. Thus everyone would be working together for the good of the school. She stressed that Indian youth need to take criticism to improve and to think before acting.

Student Council members then talked about what would happen to the students if Chilocco were not here. One idea that was stressed was that many of the students would not have any other place to go. A few expressed the feeling they wouldn't succeed in a public school and were generally better off in a boarding school.

## Horizon Club Organized; Vielle Elected President

By Mae Alice John

The Horizon Club is part of the National Organization Camp Fire Girls, Inc. Each club is a group of girls with an adult advisor and sponsors, who join together to enjoy the privileges of membership and to gain the satisfaction of working towards objectives.

The Horizon Club colors are dark blue and silver. The blue stands for unlimited possibilities of what you may accomplish for yourself. The silver is for imagination, laughter and fun.

The Horizon Club recently elected officers in Home 4. Elected as president was Stella Vielle. She is a Yakima from Washington. She said on her election, "It's a great experience dealing with other projects of interest. This year I hope our club establishes a lot of help to others."

Mae Alice John was elected as Secretary of the club. She is from Arizona. She commented, "In the Horizon Club, we are preparing to enter the adult world. The program is ours. It is ours to develop, plan and carry out. We must make the most of it."

Vivian Long, a senior from Washington was elected Treasurer. The sponsors for the Club are Mr. Oran Dabney, Miss Janelle Tulsa and Mrs. Katherine Warrior.



**STUDENTS JOIN** enthusiastically in a forty-nine following the homecoming pep rally recently. (Photo King-Cowen)