Claims funded

WASHINGTON — The negotiators of the $81.5 million Penobscot-Passamaquoddy land claims settlement are almost home free.

As Wabanaki Alliance went to press, the U.S. Senate passed a bill that banks the federal resolution. Although expected, the funding legislation left a load from tribal leaders’ minds.

The entire settlement has followed a strategy and timetable to conclude all business before President Carter, an avowed supporter, leaves office.

If Carter had not signed the land claims agreement in October, a new administration might take over next month with the issue unresolved. In that event, the whole deal would be off, and negotiators would have to start over.

A tribal negotiating team has worked long, hard hours for several years; meeting first with themselves and lawyer Thomas N. Tureen — spearhead of the claims — and then with federal officials. Finally, state officials and the Maine Legislature became involved, giving valid passage to a settlement that left them off the hook, financially.

The Senate vote, Dec. 1, came on the heels of House approval the week before. Tribal negotiating team chairman Andrew X. Akins said he expects Carter to sign the agreement in October, a new administration has the legal system returned this much land after so much time. And for the first time in history, lawyers will not get a big chunk of the settlement.

Tribal leaders recently toured Dead River’s tree farm in Springfield, near Route 6, Dead River owns 180,000 acres in Maine, and manages considerably more acreage, according to John Cox, public relations man.

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Election ends retirement for J.H. Nicholas

BANGOR — The president of Dead River Company, P. Andrews Nixon, has consulted with tribal governors to finalize a contract with the Penobscot and Passamaquoddy Tribe in about six weeks.

Dead River will manage yet-to-be-required turbiditers, purchased through the recent $81.5 million federal settlement of Maine Indian land claims. The Ranger branded company will also sell some lands in the tribe, according to President P. Andrews Nixon.

Nichols has established a new company to be headed by Harold L. Whitworth, when he was elected last fall to head the Passamaquoddy Tribe.

Elsie Haddock, a Passamaquoddy and lifelong wreath maker. See story page 5.
Chairman Cohen

Senator William S. Cohen's impending status as chairman of the Senate Select Committee on Indian Affairs may be a foregone conclusion, but his activity in that role is open to question.

Appointed ranking Republican on the panel two years ago, Cohen anything but an advocate of Indian rights. His philosophy on Indians was amply demonstrated in his consistent opposition to recognizing the validity of Maine Indian land claims — the only Indian legislation in which he is known to have been truly involved.

To his credit, he supported passage of the Penobscot-Passamaquoddy claims in a Senate voice vote, but by that time — last fall — he would have been an obstructionist to do anything else.

The Manataba Messenger, an Indian weekly in Parker, Arizona, observed that Cohen "is somewhere between an original redneck and man whose eyes are gradually opening. Will he blink?" We don't believe in name-calling, but we wonder what a man who in 1979 said he "wouldn't support (Indian sovereignty) anywhere" will do as chairman of a committee that handles most if not all Indian legislation headed for Congress.

Although Cohen voted for the negotiated settlement in Maine, he was conspicuously absent from the signing ceremony at the White House, Oct. 10. Also missing were fellow Maine Delegation members, Representatives David F. Emery and Olympia Snowe. Emery and Emery have been consistently anti-Indian claims.

Cohen is plainly not our choice to chair the committee. The committee lost a good chairman when Indian advocate Sen. James Abourezk of South Dakota retired. Cohen's motives deserve further scrutiny.

Quotable

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— J. Hartley Nicholas, Governor
The Passamaquoddy Tribe at Pleasant Point

I see these young people wearing feathers, saying 'I'm Indian' and they can't speak the language.

— Harold J. Lewey, Governor
The Passamaquoddy Tribe at Indian Township

Vulture warning

The work has just begun. That's what many tribal officials are saying now about the land claims settlement.

They are absolutely correct.

While the struggle to bring the negotiated settlement to a peaceful solution lasted more than a decade, and involved countless thousands of dollars, energy, there seems to be no time to relax. In fact, there was hardly time for a victory party, even had negotiators been in the mood for jubilation.

Now, the hassles begin. Where's the money going? Who is spending what, and who makes decisions? What about the swarm of people who evidently 'discovered' they are Penobscot or Passamaquoddy, and want a piece of the pie — or to be adopted by a tribe that they are eligible for a monetary slice.

We'll wager there's a far more dangerous element waiting in the wings. This element consists of technical experts, tribal consultants, investors, sellers of real estate, promoters...all posing as shepherds who wish to lead the tribe to greener pastures. Only to fleece the Indians along the way.

It wouldn't be the first time Indians have been taken. Our hope is that Indians will lead Indians; and even there, tribes must be on guard against fraud and deceit. There are, after all, Indian persons ill-equipped to act and manipulate fellow Indians.

So the issue is a racial one. Is it a question of caution and healthy suspicion. We can hear it now: "Have I got a deal for you?" The salesman has got this unbeatable deal on a Maine resort, and the tribe can have it cheap.

Instead, let the tribes proceed at their own pace, carefully, with trusted advice.

Imagine...we let foreigners in America and they start attacking us.

Tell me about it...
Young cousins and happy mothers

Seneca Blake Stevens, left, is the two-month-old son of Teri McDougall of Indian Island. Doreen Attean McDougall is the seven-month-old son of Teri's sister, Janice McDougall. Both mothers are proud their sons have Indian names.

Tracing Abenaki

Los Angeles

To the editor:

Do you know of any papers which come from the Abenaki Reserve, Odanak, in the province of Quebec, Canada?

Any information regarding the above or any other information specifically dealing with the Abenaki tribe would be greatly appreciated.

Also I wanted to tell you that I enjoy your paper very much.

Diane J. Obomsawin

10990 Strathmore Dr. #2

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Chauvinism!

Princeton

To the editor:

Just a note to let you know how much we enjoy reading the Wabanaki Alliance. However, it is I who subscribed to the Wabanaki Alliance with my own hard earned money. Why do you send it in my husband's name? Is this a display of chauvinism?

Please correct the subscription. Don't worry — I'll still let my husband read it.

Thank you.

Lorraine Gabriel Ritter

Native center

Ottawa, Ontario, Canada

To the editor:

For our native people to find and fulfill their rightful role in the life of our nation is an aspiration in the common interest of all Canadians. Our ties of race and culture, spanning all provinces and territories can be an important unifying influence in our country.

As an important step towards this common objective, the Inuit, Indian and Metis are joining together to establish a National Native Centre in our capital city.

The new building will not only provide the traditional services of a Friendship Centre, but will be a means of displaying native art and other cultural activities. It will show our visitors — including those from foreign countries — that Canada recognizes and respects its original people.

As befits such a significant national venture, we are inviting participation from all parts of Canada. We would be very pleased if you would include us on your mailing list, for we hope, in a year we will be able to subscribe to your magazine. Presently, we are still raising funds to buy our building.

Mary Mudd

Lost cause

Bangor

To the editor:

I would like to pass this information along to others.

Some months back I answered an ad in the Wabanaki Alliance where it said, "Calling all Maliseets, Maliseet Nation, Madawaska Maine."

I am sorry to say that this man didn't tell me all the details. My sister and I signed our names to his list and he asked for a donation. We gave money to a cause that was against my beliefs, and an American citizen, and a Maliseet Indian. I am sure he is a simple-minded person.

Diane J. Obomsawin

Wingdale, N.Y.

To the editor:

Recently I was visiting my sister, Geraldine Oliver in Danforth, Me. We both have been living off the reservation for over 20 years.

In the course of reminiscing and asking how the folks were, my sister brought out her copies of Wabanaki Alliance. I was impressed with your paper and wish to subscribe.

Bob Tomah

Pittsburg, N.H.

For the cause

Matinawamagoon

To the editor:

Now that former Gov. Reagan will be our next president, I am concerned about several things.

For example, the issue about foreign affairs and Iran really bothers me. Are we possibly facing the prospect of a war with all you men? I am concerned.

What about the SALT treaties? Are we going to let the reputation of abandonment? And the hostages — they remain in Iran despite what Carter has tried.

Does Reagan have a special plan for their freedom? Will he attempt to take them by force?

Speaking of force, how is Reagan going to increase military spending and cut taxes all at the same time? Is it possible?

Tom Vicaire

Grade 8

Mattawamagoon Junior High School
Margaret Nicholas, mother of two governors.

A governor's concerns

(Continued from page 1)

benefit the tribe, and we'll be able to control our own water rates. If the present owner— their home office is in Philadelphia—we make the improvements, the rates will probably double. It employs four or five people, and that's four or five jobs for our labor force," Nicholas said.

A matter of fact person whose words are laced with kindness and concern for his tribe, Nicholas declared: "What I would like to see here is unemployment brought down to a regional level. Actually, what I would like to see is unemployment at all.

"Welfare is fine if you are sick, unemployable, disabled," the Governor continued. "But if you are young and fit, you should earn your own living. I don't think the United States owes you a living. If the work ethic is instilled in a child, by a parent, a teacher, or even example, this thing can be completely brought about in a generation."

Nicholas, like other Passamaquoddy, feels the pull of both modern non-Indian society, and the tug of tradition, his early heritage. A half-breed welder at Pratt & Whitney in Hartford for 14 years, he retired recently with a pension, and came home with his Passamaquoddy wife, Eileen Nicholas. Prior to welding, he worked nine years for Hartford Faience Company, masoner of ceramic electrical insulators. (Fellow Pratt & Whitney Passamaquoddy John Stanley and David & Calvin Nicholas are scheduled to retire soon.)

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"Nicholas can't stand the changes, such as his nephew seeking a master's, but still, he says: "I want my people to be Indian. They have many traits I admire."

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Nicholas himself learned Passamaquoddy first, and "English came easily."

Land claims and the future

Asked for his opinion on the $91.3 million land-money settlement of Penobscot-Passamaquoddy claims, Nicholas stated: "I would've liked to see a settlement that would make the Indians independent and financially secure far into the future, but I don't think that's realistic.

"If we can put ourselves up by our bootstraps it will be just as good."

Skeptical about the sentiment in general, Nicholas nevertheless was present, Oct. 10, when the President signed the land claim act at the White House.

Nicholas is convinced disaster was avoided by establishing the $27 million trust fund for the two tribes. "It is a good deal of money and divided it among the tribes, we'd be ruined," he said.

Nicholas said he prefers tribal enterprises over other private, outside in investments operating on the reservation. However, he said the planned Dental Equipment shop, expected to train and employ at least five persons at $3.25 per hour to make cable connectors for computers, will be a welcome development.

"If we start with five jobs, it grows," he said.

The Governor and his dog, Pipuktes (clown).

The ride to Eastport by train was 18 cents.

Asked about the long proposed Pittsburg oil refinery, Nicholas said, "I don't believe they can have a refinery of that type without polluting the water." Describing himself as an ecologist, he said, "I think we have to try to learn more and more of the delicate balance of nature. Anything that disturbs the ecological balance that God created doesn't work out very well for us."

Nicholas has six green children. A skier in Florida, his five daughters have all moved to Phoenix, Ariz. The four "moved back four Connecticut last week."

The Governor has 14 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

"I've always worked all my life. I got married when I was 20, and never stopped working." The Governor reflected, "It's a very demanding job, and it requires a lot of hours. But I would rather keep busy. Since I've retired, even before I became governor, I couldn't get enough time in a day."

Newfoundland Indians seeking status, rights

CONN RIVER, Newfoundland — The Federation of Newfoundland Indians has been waiting seven years for the federal government to officially recognize them.

A recent Canadian newspaper report said that when previously independent, Newfoundland became a province in 1949, Indians were left out, largely because they did not live in larger population areas. Canada acknowledges 300,000 other Indians as "registered" under the Indian Act.

Although the government has decided to register Newfoundland Indians, Calvin White, president of the federation and a Conn River, says officials have "been dragging their feet." Indian Affairs Minister John Munro stated last March that registration would be approved in four years.

Said White: "Until we are registered as status Indians, we cannot participate in any decision-making processes at the National Indian Brotherhood's general assembly."

Two of the brotherhood's 70 delegates would represent Newfoundland Indians.
**Wreathing prospers**

**PLEASANT POINT —** "This has got to be the biggest order in the country. It could be a good income if they use their heads."

Four persons in Eastport, and four in Pembroke, were busy weaving the wreaths as they have for decades. Eddie Haddock's wife Elsie is an expert, as are Irene Lewey and Charlie Barnes, all of Pleasant Point.

**Wreaths vary in diameter from 12 inches to 38 inches, priced accordingly. Haddock is paying the weavers 50 cents per foot wreath, $2.50 for the largest.**

Profits will be shared with the Church, which needs help with winter fuel bills. But basically, the wreath production is to help the people of Pleasant Point reservation. "Before you can get people interested in God, you have to have the government," Father Mullen declared.

Recalling early times, Elsie Haddock said, "We used to have a big hall: we'd make wreaths, we'd have a lot of fun." She has made wreaths "every year since I was nine years old. I learned to trim when I was nine."

**Ellsworth firm unpaid by tribe**

**FILLSWORTH —** Although Ellsworth builders Supply won a favorable judgment in court, no one knows how the firm can deal on old debts from the Passamaquoddy Tribe at Pleasant Point.

The tribal housing authority owes Ellis- borne, a professional negotiator, and currently director of Executive Board, a federal agency in Boston. "We've got a wonderful opportunity if we can just get people rolling," said Father Mullen, who has also persuaded the Chipewy, saying "I'm Indian" and they can't speak the language."

**Cohen likely to chair Indian affairs committee**

**WASHINGTON —** Cohen said he would oppose any extension of the Senate Select Committee on Indian Affairs.

**New** U.S. Senator from Maine, ranking republican on the panel, is likely to become chairman of the committee. Cohen has changed his mind on the committee's future.

"Although Cohen's Capitol Hill side, Timothy Woodcock, said the Senator "has not taken a position on whether to make it a permanent committee." All indications are that Cohen will chair the panel.

Legislation is pending to make the committee permanent. It was studied last May by committee members, Sen. John Melcher, a Democrat. The Senate Select Committee on Indian Affairs will terminate Dec. 31, if Melcher's bill is not enacted in the lame duck session of Congress.

said Melcher, "If the responsibility for Indian affairs reverts to a standing committee, the potential for careful and equitable consideration of Indian issues will be severely curtailed."

Most legislation for the Senate involving Indians passes review by the committee, established Feb. 4, 1977. Besides Cohen and Melcher, members are Senators Marx, H. Bafield, Daniel Inouye, and Dennis DeConcini. Melcher is current chairman. Ernestson, James Absher, of South Dakota, a strong advocate of Indian rights, is a past chairman of the committee.

"Who Cohen was added to the committee, he said it would be "very active," but in an interview with this newspaper, stated he opposed any extension of the panel beyond Dec. 31.

Woodcock said Cohen will assess what benefits the (committee) holds for the Senate.

"His assessment of the functions of the committee...is based in large part on the legislative agenda of the committee. When he (Cohen) first came on, the committee was going through a period of studied inertia," Woodcock said in reference to the Senate Select Committee on Indian Affairs. Cohen has earlier been a frequent critic of the committee.

"Cohen has only sponsored one piece of Indian legislation: The Maine Indian land claims act of 1965. He had earlier been a firm supporter of the committee, which he thought was underfunded and underfunded money to the Passamaquoddy and Passamaquoddy tribes. He claimed the State of Maine could be "a big order in the country.""

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**Sockabasin seeks Governor's pardon**

**GRUNDY —** Allen J. Sockabasin, former Maine Indian Governor, land claims negotiator, and currently director of Tribal Governors Inc., wants a pardon.

He is seeking a pardon through Gov. Joseph F. Brennan, who has already pardoned a fair amount of space. Sockabasin has held jobs as a short order cook, cement factory worker, and his long career in the Military Police Corp. He and his wife Dorris have two children: Matt, 16, a student at Lee Academy, and Martha, 19, a student at University of Maine at Machias.
A summer camp with Indian spirit

There's something special here . . . so much love

-Bob Bryan

for lacrosse, the lake seems to stretch like a welcoming hand out from it. Small wonder swimming and canoeing are the main sports.

Counselor Robin McNeal, a UMA student from Caribou, talks with nurse/cook Pat Tompkins (left). Ricky Pelkey of Woodstock, N.B., a Maliseet camper, hangs on.

Counselor Tony Clement of Pleasant Point gets ready to send an arrow toward the mark. Archery was one of the traditional skills taught at Maine Indian Summer Camp. [Hansen photo].

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By Robin Hansen

SIMI/CAM — It is the last night of Maine Indian Summer Camp, and it is raining over so slightly — a disappointment, since the Lenape have planned traditional dances from several tribes and the counselors have a fire built on the little-tongue of land that pushes out into Mud Lake.

The Lenape dance anyway, in the rain. Round dance, the Mohawk blanket dance, the Innu partridge dance, the Wabanaki feather dance. When a dancer, a boy, leaps over to catch the latter at its heels, it seems McNeal explains. "Look! They do it different!" because there are no dances taught at camp, but heard at home or at pow-wows and only being shared now. At Indian Island, one must keep the rhythm, bending over while balancing and bouncing on one foot and setting tiny candle boats afloat, but the camp that most of the Indian counselors have been campers, and most are either in college or on their way there. Early in the morning, before anyone else is awake, an Indian song, shouted by Kineo Tompkins, a little Micmac boy whose mother is the camp cook and nurse: "Hey-ey yah! hey ey yah ah! Hey ey yah ah!" It goes on and on, ringing across the lake in the misty morning air, wonderfully comforting, waking everyone up. Later a camper tells me that it isn't planned that way. "Kineo wakes us up every morning. He always sings an Indian song, and it's always the same song. Sometimes I wish he'd shut up."

It is part of the Indian feeling of the camp that no one told Kineo to shut up. Both counselors and counselors treated Kineo as his little brother — and another — with a gentleness uncommon among white children. It was unusual to see a twelve or thirteen year old comfortably an arm around his counselor's neck or to hear someone tenderly recom- mons, illustrating another important personality. There was no cruel teasing, but much tolerance. QLF founder Bob Bryan, who at home is a Latin and music teacher, teaches canoeing, canoeing, canoeing, canoeing — come from the reserve, as do Pat Neilson of UMO helped the campers with traditional skills and Andy Jansen of Caribou has a square dance session at the camp.

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While the rain ended a day of Olympics, campaigning, and awards, and three weeks of learning, sports and friendship, it also marked the tenth year of the Quebec-Labrador Foundation's Camp Karawanee — ended the tenth year of the Quebec-Labrador Foundation's Camp Karawanee, and it is Mud Lake. Many in Madawaska, and attended local theatre in Fort Kent.

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In particular, board members are selected from Pleasant Point, to replace John L. Bailey and Reuben (Clayton) Cleaves; and from Indian Township, to succeed Albert Dana.

A successor on the board for Governor Timothy Love is needed, and interested Penobscots should contact the governor’s office.

Judge injured in auto mishap

PLEASANT POINT — Recently appointed tribal court Judge Reuben C. (Clayton) Cleaves was seriously injured in a one car auto mishap last month.

He has been hospitalized at Eastern Maine Medical Center since the accident, which occurred in the intersection of Route 1 and Route 180. Details of the accident were not known to the Pleasant Point Police Department, but the driver of the vehicle was kept to be Brenda Moore of Pleasant Point, who failed to negotiate a turn at Route 1. The vehicle reportedly struck an embankment. Besides Cleaves, there were at least two passengers in the vehicle, according to unofficial reports.

Associate Judge Shirley Bailey of Pleasant Point — who was recently hospitalized for surgery — has taken over Cleaves’ duties, which include handling court cases at Indian Township, the sister Passamaquoddy reservation near Princeton.

Cleaves is expected to resume his duties at a later date. He has served as director of the tribal housing authority, and representative to the state legislature, for the tribe.

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In particular, board members are selected from Pleasant Point, to replace John L. Bailey and Reuben (Clayton) Cleaves; and from Indian Township, to succeed Albert Dana.

A successor on the board for Governor Timothy Love is needed, and interested Penobscots should contact the governor’s office.

Judge injured in auto mishap

PLEASANT POINT — Recently appointed tribal court Judge Reuben C. (Clayton) Cleaves was seriously injured in a one car auto mishap last month.

He has been hospitalized at Eastern Maine Medical Center since the accident, which occurred in the intersection of Route 1 and Route 180. Details of the accident were not known to the Pleasant Point Police Department, but the driver of the vehicle was kept to be Brenda Moore of Pleasant Point, who failed to negotiate a turn at Route 1. The vehicle reportedly struck an embankment. Besides Cleaves, there were at least two passengers in the vehicle, according to unofficial reports.

Associate Judge Shirley Bailey of Pleasant Point — who was recently hospitalized for surgery — has taken over Cleaves’ duties, which include handling court cases at Indian Township, the sister Passamaquoddy reservation near Princeton.

Cleaves is expected to resume his duties at a later date. He has served as director of the tribal housing authority, and representative to the state legislature, for the tribe.
Letter supports Isabelle Shay

Perth, New Brunswick

As Wabanaki women of the Tobique Reserve we would like to register our support for the young man in her home, on the death of his Penobscot spouse, and to offer our sympathies to her family.

Our support is based on the principle that, whether Indian or non-Indian, all women have the right to privacy and security in their own homes. We are aware of the legal and social pressures that are exerted upon Indian women in many situations, and we believe that these pressures should not be allowed to interfere with the basic rights of Indian women to remain in their homes, and to enjoy the peace and quiet that such a right would bring.

We are particularly concerned about the case of Isabelle Shay, whose right to remain in her home has been challenged. We believe that she should be allowed to stay in her home, and that her right to privacy should be respected.

We urge all concerned to support Isabelle Shay and to work towards the recognition of her rights. We believe that this is an important issue, and that it is one that should be addressed by all concerned.

Sincerely,

The Wabanaki Women of Tobique

To: Tribal Court Officers

Dear Sir/Madam,

I would like to express my support for Isabelle Shay, whose right to remain in her home has been challenged. I believe that she should be allowed to stay in her home, and that her right to privacy should be respected.

I understand that Isabelle Shay was evicted from her home because of a dispute over the ownership of the property. I believe that this is a serious matter, and that it should be handled with care and respect.

I urge all concerned to support Isabelle Shay and to work towards the resolution of this dispute. I believe that this is an important issue, and that it is one that should be addressed by all concerned.

Sincerely,

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Tribal court orders eviction of Micmac widow

**MICMAC READERS—These youngsters at Eskasoni Reserve, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, pause on their motorbikes to catch up on the news.**

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**INDIAN ISLAND—Weber's Specialty T. Shay plans to retire and go into business for himself. His former residence is occupied for the past few months was still in the air, as Wabanaki Alliance went to court.**

Tribal Gov. Timothy Love says no.

Shay says yes.

George Love states it is "the custom of the tribe" to take care of widows, or any woman on the Island regardless of tribal affiliation, but that such person must not abuse the trust.

Love says Shay is inhabiting the house of his late husband, Patrick Shay, in a citation of a court order. Patrick Shay was Penobscot; his widow is a Micmac and native of Nova Scotia.

Complicating matters is that Patrick Shay owned only a share of the property, and there are many heirs. Also, Shay adopted Isabelle Shay's son, Karl Toney, who now lives with his mother and attends Indian Island elementary school. The latest development was the arrest of Isabelle Shay at her residence. She was subsequently bailed at $500, with a tribal court hearing set Dec. 17.

Isabelle Shay was ordered Nov. 5 by Penalty Shay to move from the tribal home at the house. Love signed the removal papers.

In an interview with this newspaper, the Governor said he ordered Shay to stay to avoid the problems that might arise from this situation. He also said that Shay must leave the tribal home as he cannot be considered an Indian women in the tribe.

On the contrary, Indian women in Canada have been granted the right to privacy in their homes and to live in peace. They cannot be removed from their homes without a court order.

The Governor also said that taking action against Shay was not based on personal feelings, but was necessary to protect the rights of all parties involved.

"In Canada," he said, "there is a strong tradition of protecting the rights of native women in their homes. We are not trying to force anyone to leave their home, but we are trying to protect the rights of all parties involved.

"We believe that Isabelle Shay should be allowed to stay in her home, and that her right to privacy should be respected. We are working with all concerned to find a solution to this situation."

Sincerely,

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**LETTER SUPPORTS ISABELLE SHAY**

Perley, Connie Nicholas.

Loretta Perley, Theresa Perley (Hart), and several other women from the Penobscot tribe have offered their support to Isabelle Shay.

They believe that Isabelle Shay should be allowed to stay in her home, and that her right to privacy should be respected.

They have stated that Isabelle Shay has been living in her home for many years, and that it would be disruptive to force her to leave.

"We are not trying to force anyone to leave their home," they said. "We believe that Isabelle Shay should be allowed to stay in her home, and that her right to privacy should be respected."

Sincerely,

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**Council turns down**

Dr. Baumann-Nelson

INDIAN ISLAND—Dr. Eileen Baumann-Nelson, formerly of the Penobscot National Indian Council, has turned down the offer of a position with the Penobscot Tribal Council.

Dr. Baumann-Nelson was offered the position of Director of Tribal Health Services, but she declined.

In a statement, Dr. Baumann-Nelson said, "I believe that the Penobscot Tribal Council should be led by someone who is a member of the Penobscot Nation, and not by someone who is not.

"I respect the Penobscot Tribal Council, but I believe that the Penobscot Nation should be represented in this position.

"I have accepted the offer of a position with the Penobscot National Indian Council, and I will be working with them to improve the health of the Penobscot Nation."

Sincerely,

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New police chief enthusiastic

PLEASANT POINT — Newly hired tribal Police Chief Don Lemos thinks "people have got to understand law enforcement," before they can be expected to abide by tribal laws.

In his administration of the force, Lemos, who lives in Eastport, hopes to help tribal members see the need and benefit of good law enforcement. A native of New Bedford, Mass., Lemos attended the University of Kansas, and graduated from University of Maine at Presque Isle.

Rights panel rules on Isaac case

MILLINOCKET — Maine Human Rights Commission has found reasonable grounds for alleging unlawful discrimination, in the case of Mary Francis Isaac, a Penobscot who claimed she was harassed.

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The solution through negotiation with the public works department.

Arson probed

PLEASANT POINT — A fire Nov. 6 gutted the large residence here of Joseph Mitchell. The state fire marshal's office has ruled arson in the case, and Police Chief Don Lemos said he anticipated an arrest.

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Houlton Band joins TGI

ORONO — The newly formed Houlton Band is party to the $81.5 million settlement of Penobscot-Passamaquoddy fishing rights.

Migrant harvesters

Sherman Beattie, left, and Maynard Poulette, were hitch-hiking from blueberry fields downeast, to potato harvest up north, when Allen Sockabasin, Passamaquoddy, picked them up this fall near Bangor and bought them lunch. Beattie, 26, is an Ojibway from Long Plains Reserve, Manitoba. Poulette, 21, is a Micmac from Eskasoni, Cape Breton.

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Bears

Maine has many bears in its woods. And we have some bears right here on Indian Island. But we do not have as many as they did 100 years ago because there are so many people living here now. Besides, someone has hunted the bear for meat and fur for hundreds of years.

The thing I like to think about when I think of bears is what it must be like to hibernate. Some people say bears sleep all winter and never wake up until spring. But other people say they do not.
**Poetry**

*Priceless Peace*

Beauty so much around us
And over the hillslops here
Where could a man go farther
And find a peace more true?

Into a city, into a crowd
Into the smoke filled alleys
But and out some more until
Somehow the hearts will rally.

Like as a pill or a long lost one
To a dying man the woods must count.
Bring wreathes to the heartuick soul
A peace more rare than a white man's gold.

For gold won't heal and a peace well sought
Will bring to the soul a quiet lot
Of the woods, the flowers, a Intrick brook
Where few men where God will look.

The handwork of a saint above
Where we may rest and know we're loved
Where we may well find peace and rest
Whatever we are, we know the best
To us mankind.

D. J. D'Ambrosio

**Milis: Olympics to life insurance**

SACRAMENTO, Cal. — Billy Mills, a South Dakota Indian raised as a reservation in South Dakota, was born into a family tenaciously holding onto its pride and dignity despite the day-to-day struggle for existence.

Billy lost both parents by the time he was 13 and was education at a BIA boarding school. He carried with him the memory of his father as a symbol of dignity. Billy received an athletic scholarship to University of Kansas where he graduated in physical education in 1962.

Billy went into boarding school to win for himself, as well as to win for the tribe. His determination drove him to work in college to qualify for the 1960 Olympic team in the 10,000 meter race. He failed to make it that year but won renewed vigor he began running 110 miles a week. In 1964 he qualified for the Olympic team and entered the race with a 1,000 to 1 chance of winning.

Overcoming these odds, Billy went on to win a Gold Medal in the 10,000 meter race. Billy is still the only American to have won that honor.

Mills was a member of the committee for the 1968 and 1972 Olympic Games. He is currently a member of the President's Council on Physical Fitness.

Mills has given some time and energy to guiding the development of the Indian youth. He has been in community services of various types and is a member of the public speakers bureau of Sports Illustrated. He has addressed diverse audiences on business, government and academic matters, Indian associations, tribal governments and religious groups.

Mills traveled in the U.S., Canada, South America, Western and Eastern Europe, Russia, Scandinavia and Japan. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps.

Mills is now a life insurance underwriter for Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company and lives in Sacramento, California with his wife and three daughters.

By William B. Newell

**Indian Way**

**Editor's Note:** William B. Newell, a Presbyterian, resides at Indian Island. A retired professor, he is contributing a column on Indian ways.

In the field of science the American Indians were especially clever. Zero was invented a thousand years before the Arabs came out of the Old World. The calendar system of the Maya was far superior to our own system and much more accurate. The first people to develop the decimal system represented in the Quipu of the Peruvians were Indians. This is the first to use and work platinum.

Arts and crafts. The famous textiles of the Peruvians have been recognized by authorities as being the best the world has ever seen. Authorities claim that no rice on earth made baskets as well as the Pima and other Indian tribes of California. Their beauty and technique excelled all others.

Agriculture. Irrigation, fertilizers, crop rotation, and many other so-called modern farming methods were practised by the intensive agriculturists of the Southwest in the United States and Peru.

Masonry. The stone walls of Peru are still as great a mystery to us today as they ever have been. We do not know how the stones were quarried and so well fitted together.

Modern apartment buildings are much like the Pueblo buildings of the Hopi and Zuni Indians.

Chewing Gum. Shaking Hands is just a good old Indian custom.

**Hints for Health**

By Dr. Fen Welch

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