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BACK to BATOCHE



BATOCHE

A SMALL, QUIET TOWN NESTLED ON THE BANK OF THE NORTH SASKATCHEWAN RIVER, IT IS SITUATED BETWEEN THE TOWN OF PRINCE ALBERT AND THE CITY OF SASKATOON.

"BATOCHE" FEW PEOPLE REALIZE THIS TOWN EXISTS. SOME HAVE HEARD OF IT THROUGH THEIR HISTORY BOOKS IN SCHOOL. OTHERS HAVE HEARD OF IT THROUGH THE NEWS MEDIA AND THE SUDDEN FEELING OF AWARENESS IN THE METIS PEOPLE.

THE HISTORY OF WESTERN CANADA IS DIRECTLY RELATED TO THIS SMALL INNOCENT TOWN. FOR IF THINGS HAD GONE DIFFERENTLY THEIR 85 YEARS AGO, NORTH WESTERN CANADA WOULD HAVE BEEN A NATION UNTO ITSELF. A INDIAN AND METIS NATION.

IT WAS HERE THAT THE NATIVE PEOPLE OF WESTERN CANADA IN 1885 TOOK THEIR LAST STAND.

FROM THE OLD COMES THE NEW, AND SO IT IS WITH THE METIS PEOPLE OF TODAY. FROM THE ASHES OF THE OLD WE WILL BUILD THE NEW. COME BACK TO BATOCHE, WE WILL REBUILD.

THIS YEAR THE METIS SOCIETY OF SASKATCHEWAN IS HAVING ITS ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS AT BATOCHE. IT IS ALSO A GIANT GETOGETHER, JAMBORÉE AND POW WOW. ALL NATIVE PEOPLE ARE WELCOME. THIS IS THE PLACE TO SHARE IDEAS OLD AND NEW. TALK OF THE FUTURE OF THE NATIVE PEOPLE, MEET OLD FRIENDS AND MAKE NEW ONES. IT IS THE PLACE WHERE THE SPIRIT OF OUR NATION WILL BE REBORN. ABOVE ALL REMEMBER THE YOUNG FOR THEIRS IS THE FIRST RIGHT TO SHARE THIS DESTINY.

BRING YOUR SPEECHES, IDEAS, AND WISDOM WITH YOU. FOR THIS IS THE ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR OUR SOCIETY. ONLY WE TOGETHER, ALL OF US CAN MAKE THIS THE SUCCESS IT IS SURELY GOING TO BE.

LET'S START OFF WITH THE KIDS, WHAT WILL BE THERE FOR THEM? THERE WILL BE VARIOUS SPORTS ACTIVITIES FOR THEM, RACES OF DIFFERENT KINDS, DANCING, FILMS, CHILDRENS ART, AND ABOVE ALL GETTING TO KNOW EACH OTHER IN RELATIONSHIP WITH NATURE.

FOR THE OTHER PEOPLE THERE WILL BE THE SAME SORT OF AGENDA: RACES, SPORTS, TURKEY SHOOT, POW WOW, BANNOCK BAKING, TENT PITCHING, FIDDLE DANCING, AND ALSO FOR THESE PEOPLE GETTING TO KNOW ONE ANOTHER IN HARMONY WITH NATURE AND THE UNITY OF AN INDIAN CAMP.

PEOPLE SHOULD BRING ALONG THEIR NECESSARY CAMPING GEAR. TENTS WILL BE SUPPLIED, BUT POTS, PANS, DISHES ARE NOT. RATIONS WILL BE SUPPLIED, BUT YOU COOK IT YOURSELF. BRING ENOUGH CLOTHES FOR THE KIDS, BLANKETS, ETC. AND REMEMBER TO BRING THE KIDS.

IF THERE IS ANYTHING YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE, HEAR, OR DO SEND US YOUR COMMENTS, SUGGESTIONS, OR IDEAS. REMEMBER THIS IS THE CHANCE OF A LIFETIME TO SHOW A UNITED FRONT. LET'S SHOW THIS WHITE SOCIETY - THAT LOOKS DOWN ON US - THAT WE CAN STAND TALL, LOOK THEM IN THE EYE, HAVE FUN, AND FULFILL OUR RESPONSIBILITIES IN OUR OWN WAY, IN OUR OWN LAND.

FURTHER INFORMATION WILL BE SENT OUT TO LOCALS WITHIN THE NEXT FEW WEEKS.

LEST WE FORGET

"YOU ARE THE SAME PEOPLE WHO FOUGHT SO WELL AND BRAVELY ON CUT KNIFE HILL. BUT YOU ARE GOING TO HAVE TO FIGHT AGAIN, THE HARDEST KIND OF FIGHT. YOU MUST FIGHT YOURSELVES AND THIS NEW WAY OF THINKING THAT WE ARE LESS THAN THEY ARE, BECAUSE IT IS NOT TRUE. OUR OLD WAY OF LIFE IS GONE BUT THAT DOES NOT MEAN WE SHOULD SIT BACK AND BECOME IMITATION WHITE MEN. OUR BELIEFS WERE GOOD, OUR GODS SERVED US WELL, NO WHITE MAN HAS YET SHOWN ME ANYTHING THAT IS BETTER. WE AT LEAST LIVED BY WHAT WE BELIEVED, THEY TALK OF LOVING ALL MEN, OF BEING HUMBLE AND GENEROUS AND TRUTHFUL, AND FROM WHAT I LEARNED IN PRISON, THEIR JESUS WAS LIKE THAT, BUT WHEN I LOOK AROUND HERE I THINK I HAVE HAD ENOUGH OF THEIR LOVE AND GENEROSITY. I WONDER WHAT THEIR JESUS WOULD THINK IF HE STOOD HERE WITH US, RIGHT NOW, I AM PROUDER THAN I EVER WAS BEFORE THAT I AM A CREW."

"POUNDMAKER"

THE ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE METIS SOCIETY OF SASKATCHEWAN WILL BE HELD AT BATOCHE ON JUNE 25-27-28, 1971. FRIDAY, JUNE 25 WILL BE A CAMPING DAY.

THE SOCIETY SHALL PAY DELEGATES EXPENSES TO THE ANNUAL CONVENTION, ACCORDING TO THE CONSTITUTION LOCALS MAY SEND:

- (a) 4 DELEGATES FOR THE FIRST 100 MEMBERS
- (b) 1 DELEGATE FOR ANY PART OF NEXT 100 MEMBERS.

IN ORDER THAT A VOTERS LIST BE SET UP OF THE VOTING DELEGATES, WOULD EACH LOCAL PLEASE SEND THE NAMES OF THEIR DELEGATES BY JUNE 21 TO THE REGINA OFFICE.

THE ANNUAL CONVENTION TITLED "BACK TO BATOCHE" SHOULD BRING TOGETHER SOME 5,000 TO 6,000 PEOPLE. ACTIVITIES ARE BEING PLANNED TO TAKE IN CULTURAL, SPORTING, ENTERTAINING EVENTS FOR ALL. THE AGENDA IS NOT YET COMPLETED AS MORE INFORMATION IS OBTAINED AND EVENTS CONFIRMED, WE WILL CONTACT YOU.

SEND IN YOUR COMMENTS, QUESTIONS, SUGGESTIONS. WE HOPE IT WILL BE A GOOD TIME FOR ALL.

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This is a hijacking -- Take me to BATOCHE

MEADOW LAKE DEVELOPMENT

PULP MILLS, SAWMILLS, URANIUM MINES AND IRON MINES, ALL TO DEVELOP SASKATCHEWAN, AND THE NATIVE PEOPLE.

A PULP MILL IS GOING TO BE BUILT IN THE DORE LAKE AREA OF NORTH WESTERN SASKATCHEWAN. IN CONNECTION WITH THIS MILL, THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT SPONSORED A MEETING IN MEADOW LAKE. THE GOVERNMENT BROUGHT AT LEAST 60 OF ITS PEOPLE TO MEET WITH THE PEOPLE FROM THE AREA, WHO WERE BROUGHT IN BY THE METIS SOCIETY AND THE FEDERATION OF SASKATCHEWAN INDIANS.

THIS WAS NOT A MEETING CALLED TO ASK THE PEOPLE WHAT THEY THOUGHT OF THE PROJECT. THIS WAS A MEETING HELD TO "TELL THE PEOPLE WHAT WAS GOING TO HAPPEN".

THE MILL HAD ALREADY BEEN DECIDED ON. THE PLACE WHERE THE TOWN WAS GOING TO BE BUILT HAD BEEN PICKED OUT AND IF THE METIS PEOPLE DIDN'T LIKE WHAT WAS GOING ON, THEY WERE TOLD BY THE GOVERNMENT MINISTER THAT THEY COULD "LEAVE THE MEETING".

THE MAIN CONCERN IS WHETHER THE PULP MILL CAN MAKE MONEY. THE PEOPLE CARE SECOND. THIS WAS SHOWN IN AN ANSWER THE MINISTER GAVE TO A YOUNG METIS WHOSE TRAPLINE IS ON THE NEW TOWNSITE. "WHAT COMPENSATION WILL I GET?" THE GOVERNMENT MINISTER REPLIED. "COMPENSATION FOR WHAT?"

WHEN AN OIL COMPANY MOVES ONTO FARMERS' LAND AND SETS UP A DRILLING RIG OR A PUMP, THEY HAVE TO PAY THE FARMER FOR THE LAND THEY USE.

WHEN A CITY GETS MORE LAND BECAUSE ITS GROWING, IT HAS TO PAY WHOEVER IS ON THE LAND.

WHEN SOMEONE PUTS A TOWN ON SOMEBODY'S TRAPLINE, THEY DON'T DO A THING. COMPENSATION. "COMPENSATION FOR WHAT?"

COMPENSATION FOR A MEANS OF LIVELIHOOD. A WAY OF LIFE. AN OPPORTUNITY TO STAND UP PROUD AND FREE. A CHANCE FOR SOME SCRATCH WITHOUT RUNNING TO WELFARE. COMPENSATION FOR A LITTLE FRESH MEAT. A PAIR OF MOCASSENS. COMPENSATION FOR A WHOLE ECONOMY WHICH HAS BEEN DESTROYED.

SURELY IF THE GOVERNMENT AND THE CANADIAN PEOPLE, WHO WE SO TRUSTFULLY WELCOMED TO OUR LAND, CAN GIVE MILLIONS OF DOLLARS TO A FOREIGN CAPITALIST TO TAKE OVER MORE OF OUR LAND, THEY CAN GIVE A TRAPPER A LITTLE SOMETHING SINCE THEY ARE TAKING AWAY EVERYTHING THE MAN HAS, AND EVERYTHING HE EVER HOPED OR WORKED FOR.



BOND WANTED - Jim Tomalak, left, president of Saskatchewan Metis Society, and Gordon Tuzson, vice-president of Canadian Brotherhood of Indians, place demands for a bond to be posted as a guarantee against pollution. The firm, A. G., has turned down the request.

YOU CAN BE SURE THAT IF PARSONS AND WHITTEMORE WERE GOING TO LOOSE EVERYTHING THEY OWNED BECAUSE THE GOVERNMENT WANTED TO DO SOMETHING DIFFERENT WITH THEIR LAND, THEY'D GET WELL PAID FOR, AND THEY'D SHOUT AND SCREAM AND CRY ABOUT IT. THEY'D LIKELY KNOW ABOUT IT BEFORE IT WAS SOLD AS WELL.

AT THE MEETINGS IN MEADOW LAKE, THE METIS SOCIETY AND THE FEDERATION OF SASKATCHEWAN INDIANS ASKED THAT SOME MONEY BE PUT ASIDE FOR THE PEOPLE IN CASE THE PROMISES TO KEEP OUT POLLUTION AND NOT TO DESTROY THE WILDLIFE DIDN'T WORK OUT.

IF THESE GUYS ARE AS SURE AS THEY SAY ARE THEY POLLUTION WON'T OCCUR, OR THAT WILDLIFE WON'T BE KILLED OFF, SURELY THEY CAN MAKE A GUARANTEE. THEY COULD PUT THEIR MONEY WHERE THEIR MOUTH IS FOR A CHANGE.



DR. ADAMS SPOKE INTO MICROPHONE AS WOMAN FROM LA LOCHIE SHOWS APPROVAL.

-Special Herald Photo

PARSONS AND WHITTEMORE GOT A WHOLE LIST OF GUARANTEES BEFORE THEY STARTED. HOW ABOUT A FEW FOR THE PEOPLE MOST EFFECTED. PROMISES LOST THEIR VALUE A HUNDRED YEARS AGO. WE'LL BELIEVE THESE PROMISES WHEN ONE IS CARRIED OUT.

THE PROMISES ABOUT POLLUTION ARE AS SHADY AS FORTY MILES OF FOREST AT MIDNIGHT. THEY WON'T TELL US THERE WILL BE NO POLLUTION, JUST THAT THEY HOPE IT WILL BE LESS THAN THE P.L.A. PULP MILL AND EVERY OTHER PULP MILL IN NORTH AMERICA WHICH HAVE KILLED THE RIVERS AND RUINED THE TRAPPING EVERYWHERE ELSE.

OUR BROTHERS AT CUMBERLAND HOUSE COULD PUT SOME SUNSHINE ON HOW MUCH BETTER THINGS NEED TO GET. THEY COULDN'T FISH FOR A YEAR, AND NOW THEY CAN EAT THE FISH FROM THEIR LAKES "AT THEIR OWN RISK", BUT THEY CAN'T SELL THEM.

WHEN THE SUN STARTS COMING THROUGH THAT FORTY MILES OF FOREST, YOU CAN BET IT WILL COME THROUGH CLEAR. THE WALKING WILL LIKELY BE EASIER AS WELL. THERE WON'T BE TREES IN SIGHT AND THE WATER WILL BE SO THICK YOU CAN WALK ON IT.

THEY'LL GIVE IT BACK TO THE HALFBREEDS AND INDIANS WHEN THERE ISN'T A TWIG TO TIE A TRAP TO A NOTHING BUT GOPHERS TO TRAP. THEY'LL PROBABLY CHARGE A PRETTY HIGH PRICE FOR "DEVELOPING" THE LAND THOUGH.

THE TIME HAS COME TO CLAIM OUR LAND AND DEMAND OUR RIGHTS. IF WE CAN'T STOP "PROGRESS" THEN LETS AT LEAST GET SOMETHING OUT OF IT.

HE CAN'T GO BACK ANY FURTHER.

THIS IS OUR LAST FRONTIER.

THIS LAND IS OUR LAND.

Look at] — you and your damn smuggling pulp mill, saw mill and that stream can't keep... Every time you try to make it come out a bit of river water. No matter which way it goes.



Election Editorial

VOTE - VOTE - VOTE

THERE IS AN ELECTION TAKING PLACE IN SASKATCHEWAN JUNE 23 OF THIS YEAR. WE ASK ALL OUR PEOPLE TO VOTE. THERE IS ONLY ONE WAY IN THIS COUNTRY THAT WE CAN GET THE KIND OF GOVERNMENT WE NEED, THAT IS TO ELECT THAT KIND OF GOVERNMENT.

IF WE DON'T VOTE WE KNOW FOR SURE WE WON'T GET THE GOVERNMENT WE NEED, BUT WE WILL LIKELY GET WHAT WE DESERVE.

THE METIS PEOPLE IN THIS PROVINCE LIKELY HOLD MORE POWER BY VOTES THAN ANY OTHER GROUP OF PEOPLE. THIS IS A POWER WHICH WE SELDOM USE. ITS ABOUT TIME WE HERE SEEN AS A PEOPLE, IF GOVERNMENTS KNOW WE ARE GOING TO VOTE, THEY'LL THINK A LITTLE MORE ABOUT HOW WE MIGHT VOTE.

THAT'S THE MAIN THING. VOTE

SECONDLY, VOTE LIKE A PERSON WITH A LITTLE PRIDE. WE WOULD SUGGEST THAT:

- 1) YOU GET TO KNOW EVERY PERSON RUNNING FOR ELECTION IN YOUR AREA
- 2) YOU FIND OUT WHAT THEY THINK ABOUT HOW NATIVES SHOULD BE TREATED
- 3) YOU LOOK AT THE PARTIES THEY REPRESENT AND JUDGE HOW THE PARTIES HAVE DONE IN THE PAST
- 4) YOU TAKE THIS TASK SERIOUSLY AND THINK ABOUT WHO YOU WANT TO REPRESENT YOU.

WE WOULD SUGGEST THAT YOU DON'T:

- 1) VOTE FOR THE MAN WHO BUYS YOU A FEW BEER, A BOTTLE OF WHISKY OR GIVES YOU SOME POP OR CANDY. IF THIS KIND OF MAN GIVES YOU SOMETHING TODAY, WE'LL GIVE YOU SOMETHING TOMORROW, BUT YOU'LL HAVE TO TURN AROUND TO GET IT.
- 2) VOTE FOR ANYONE WHO TAKES YOU ASIDE AND MAKES BIG PROMISES TO YOU ALONE. YOU ARE THE ONLY ONE WHO KNOWS ABOUT THESE PROMISES AND NOBODY HAS A SHORTER MEMORY THAN A POLITICIAN.
- 3) VOTE FOR THE LAST MAN YOU TALKED TO OR THE LAST SIGN YOU SAW. VOTE AFTER YOU HAVE THOUGHT IT OUT AND DECIDED WHO IS GOING TO BE BEST FOR YOU.

PLEASE. TALK TO OUR PEOPLE WHO CAN'T READ. READ THIS TO THEM, TELL THEM THAT THEY SHOULD VOTE. WE NEVER CHOSE OUR LEADERS UNLESS WE KNEW THE MAN AND ARGUED AND THOUGHT AND EVEN FOUGHT AND SHED BLOOD OVER IT. WE CAN'T LET SOMEONE ELSE CHOOSE OUR GOVERNMENT EITHER. LET'S DO IT OURSELVES.

**God grant me the serenity to accept
The things I cannot change;
Courage to change the things I can;
And the wisdom to know the difference.**

THE METIS SOCIETY IS A NATIVE ORGANIZATION OF METIS AND NON-TREATY INDIANS. YOU CAN JOIN BY SIGNING UP WITH YOUR LOCAL ORGANIZATION OR SENDING YOUR NAME, ADDRESS, AND \$1.00 FOR MEMBERSHIP.

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WRITE TO:

THE METIS SOCIETY
1935 SASKATCHEWAN
REGINA, SASKATCHEWAN

THIS LAND IS OUR LAND (DON'T FORGET IT)

METIS FIRED FOR JOINING PROTEST

SIX METIS EMPLOYEES OF THE METIS ASSOCIATION OF ALBERTA SAID IN EDMONTON RECENTLY THEY HAVE BEEN FIRED WITHOUT SEVERANCE PAY FOR TAKING PART IN A DEMONSTRATION AT THE LEGISLATURE.

THE EMPLOYEES HAD BEEN WARNED, THEY SAID, IN A MEMO FROM ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT STAN DANIELS THAT "THEY WOULD BE RELIEVED OF THEIR DUTIES IMMEDIATELY" IF THEY TOOK PART IN A PROTEST TUESDAY AGAINST TWO LAND BILLS BEING DISCUSSED IN THE LEGISLATURE.

HARRY DANIELS, CO-ORDINATOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICER WITH THE ASSOCIATION, SAID THAT HE AND THREE OTHER MEMBERS OF HIS SECTION ALONG WITH TWO SECRETARIES WERE FIRED.

"I FEEL BAD THAT THE OTHERS WERE FIRED BECAUSE I INSTIGATED THE PROTEST," HE SAID IN AN INTERVIEW. "BUT WE HAD A MEETING AFTER THE DEMONSTRATION AND WE'RE GOING TO CONTINUE FIGHTING THE BILLS AT OUR OWN EXPENSE."

THE BILLS IN QUESTION ARE THE PUBLIC LANDS ACT WHICH RESTRICTS CAMPING IN FOREST AREAS WITHOUT A PERMIT TO 30 DAYS A YEAR AND THE WILDERNESS ACT WHICH ESTABLISHES AREAS OF 44-SQUARE MILES EACH THAT ARE CLOSED TO PERMANENT HABITATION BY MAN.

BOTH BILLS RECEIVED THIRD READING AND ROYAL ASSENT IN THE LEGISLATURE TUESDAY.

HARRY DANIELS SAID THE BILLS THREATEN THE METIS WHO, HE SAYS, ARE PRESENTLY ESSENTIALLY SQUATTERS AND THE BILLS WILL MAKE TRANSIENTS OF THEM.

STAN DANIELS HAS UNAVAILABLE FOR COMMENT.

FROM "KAIWIA NEWS"



WE ARE AS ONE NATION

UNITY THERE IS ONLY ONE WAY THAT PEOPLE CAN DO ANYTHING FOR THEMSELVES, AND THAT IS TO UNIFY. FOR IN UNITY THERE IS POWER TO BACK UP YOUR IDEAS, AND IN UNITY THERE IS HOPE AND FULFILLMENT OF WORKING TOGETHER TOWARDS A COMMON GOAL.

COME TOGETHER THERE ARE A FEW PEOPLE COMING TOGETHER NOW FOR THE PURPOSE OF SOLVING PROBLEMS THROUGH UNITY. EVERYONE ELSE IS EITHER SITTING ON ONE OR THE OTHER OF TWO SIDES. ONE GROUP IS WAITING TO SEE WHAT IS GOING TO HAPPEN. IF IT IS GOOD THEY WILL JUMP ON THE BANDWAGON, AND IF IT IS BAD THEY WILL SAY BRIBELY "I TOLD YOU SO" OR "I KNEW THAT WAS GOING TO HAPPEN". INSTEAD OF GOING TO MEETINGS AND MAKING SUGGESTIONS OR CRITICISMS.

THEN THERE IS THE OTHER THAT IS EITHER INDIFFERENT TO MOVE AWAY FROM F.V. OR JUST DOESN'T GIVE A DAMN. THESE ARE THE ONES WHO DO NOTHING BUT WANT A SHARE OF THE END RESULTS ANYWAY.

VOICE OF ALL MEETINGS WHERE CRITICISM IS ASKED PEOPLE FOR AND GOOD ADVICE ACCEPTED, ARE IN THE THOUGHTS OF MOST PEOPLE WHO ARE INTERESTED, AND MOST OF ALL, A GOOD NEWSPAPER COVERING EVERYTHING AND SPEAKING ONLY TRUTH IS A NECESSITY. A PAPER OPEN TO ALL, A VOICE OF ALL THE PEOPLE. LET US HEAR SOME OF THE GOOD IDEAS YOU SPEAK ONLY TO FRIENDS ABOUT. LET US HEAR YOU CRITICIZE POLITICS AND OTHER THINGS AS STRONGLY AS YOU CRITICIZE EACH OTHER BEHIND THEIR BACKS, AND LET US SEE YOU FIGHT AS HARD FOR THE WANTS AND NEEDS OF EVERYONE AS HARD AS YOU FIGHT EACH OTHER.

A LETTER TAKES FIVE MINUTES TO WRITE: WRITE IT!!!

YOUTH

MESSAGE TO NATIVE YOUTH

THIS MESSAGE IS TO HELP YOU UNDERSTAND WHAT HAS TO BE DONE BY NATIVE YOUNG PEOPLE.

WHEN THE TERM "NOTHING" IS USED IN OUR ASSESSMENT THIS ALMOST SEEMS FUNNY, BUT THE TERM "ABSOLUTELY NOTHING TO DO" EXHIBITS MORE CLOSELY WHAT IS ALL TOO REAL TO ALL OF US.

WHAT WE AS YOUNG NATIVE PEOPLE HAD TO DO WAS TO SURFACE STATISTICAL FACTS OF COLD REALITY.

WE FACE A SOCIETY WHICH MISINTERPRETS AND MISUNDERSTANDS OUR PROBLEMS WE ACCEPT OUR PROBLEMS. WE REALIZE THAT PEOPLE LACK AN UNDERSTANDING OF THE METHODS WE ARE USING TO COPE WITH THIS SOCIETY. PEOPLE CANNOT OR WILL NOT UNDERSTAND THE HISTORICAL DEVELOPMENT AND SOCIOLOGICAL FACTORS WHICH LEAD UP TO THE SITUATION WE ARE EXPERIENCING TODAY. WE FACE PROBLEMS TODAY AND WILL TOMORROW IF APPROACHED TO THESE PROBLEMS ARE NOT DEVELOPED BY THE NATIVE YOUTH.

WE THE NATIVE YOUTH HAVE PROBLEMS.

WE THE NATIVE YOUTH HAVE THE ABILITY TO WORK OUT OUR PROBLEMS.

WE THE NATIVE YOUTH HAVE THE WANT AND WILL. TO WORK.

WE THE NATIVE YOUTH HAVE EXISTED OUR RESPONSIBILITY OF WORKING TO ALLEVIATE THE PROBLEM.

THERE ARE PROGRAMS WE AS NATIVE YOUNG PEOPLE CAN INITIATE TO CREATE AWARENESS AND INVOLVEMENT.

WHAT IS NEEDED IS YOUNG PEOPLE TO GET TOGETHER. WE HAVE RECOGNIZED THE PROBLEMS. WE WILL FACE THEM AS A UNITED PEOPLE.

NOW IS THE TIME FOR NATIVE YOUTH TO GET TOGETHER

NOW IS THE TIME FOR NATIVE YOUTH

NOW IS THE TIME

NOW, NOW, NOW!

IF YOU DON'T LIKE THE SITUATION YOU ARE IN ORGANIZE AND DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT.

THE ONLY QUALIFIED PERSON TO HELP IS YOU. NOW!

NATIVE YOUTH MOVEMENT.
BOX 40
SASKATOON, SASKATCHEWAN

Youth city suggested by PM

SASKEWATON (CP)—Prime Minister Trudeau suggested Monday that 5,000 Canadian youth could begin a new city in Canada's northlands.

In a television interview the prime minister said he'd like to see a city built for the values of Canadian youth. He also explained the government would be willing to help.

"You see prime minister, you've got some doctors, you've got some people, people who want to live in communities and make out a new city up there."

Mr. Trudeau said that building a new city in the northlands of joining the Alaska Highway would not really Canadian youth today because they want to find different ways of growing.



LET'S LAY A CLAIM ON THIS ONE OR WE'LL LOSE OUT AGAIN. IF YOU NEED IT TAKE IT.

WOMEN

DON'T BE A SLAVE

WOMEN'S LID I HAVE READ, MOSTLY HEARD A LOT OF SO CALLED WOMEN'S LIBERATION FROM MY HOME IN SASKATCHEWAN TO ALCATRAZ. I, FOR ONE, LOOK AT IT IN A DIFFERENT WAY. A WOMAN, A MOTHER, IS THE ONE IN THE FAMILY WHO IS THE FIRST TEACHER. SHE IS THE FIRST TO TEACH LOVE, RESPECT, AND MOST IMPORTANT OF ALL, TO BE PROUD OF YOUR HERITAGE AS AN INDIAN. LOOK, IF YOU WISH, AT THE HISTORY OF NATIVE WOMEN. THE PLACE OF WOMEN AMONG THE IROQUOIS WAS NOT THAT OF A SLAVE, DESCENT IN THE FEMALE LINE FORBODE ANY SUCH EXPLOITATION OF WOMEN WOMEN ALSO TOOK PART IN THE COUNCILS OF CHIEFS AND IT WAS SO IN MANY OTHER TRIBES.

FIGHT TOGETHER WE CANNOT SIT AT HOME ANY LONGER, FOR WHAT I SEE OUTSIDE AND AROUND ME I DO NOT LIKE. WE MUST ALL FIGHT IN THIS TOGETHER, WOMEN, MEN, AND CHILDREN. IF WE ARE TO SURVIVE AS A PROUD RACE, IF AM FIGHTING AND WILL CONTINUE TO FIGHT FOR THE RIGHT OF ALL NATIVE BROTHERS AND SISTERS. IN OUR INDIAN CULTURE WE ARE TAUGHT NOT TO LAUGH AT OUR OWN PEOPLE, WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO? SOMEDAY, YOUR MAN MIGHT NOT COME HOME AND ALL YOU'LL KNOW IS WHERE THE KITCHEN IS OR PERHAPS SOME OF YOUR NEIGHBOR'S BUSINESS???? SO UNTIL WE STAND TOGETHER, WE PERISH.

BY VICKI NASACASE

Young wives complain

An unending parade of criticism to the British Association of Suburbanites general meeting at the Brent Suburbanites' Tea and a statement that young wives are not getting a fair share when it comes to house work.

When husbands are over 30, the wife is under 30, she may find it in the family car and may not let her husband to touch the car.

The accused young wives, under 30, might be allowed to do housework with their newly-wed husbands.

"If they are old enough to have a baby, they are old enough to go to bed and drink," she quipped.

Premier Thatcher, at the meeting, said, "I don't say, it makes sense to me."

"Be always good to your," she added.

"You're always good and kind," she said, and then she could not get a lot of women from 20 years old to 30.



RACISM OF THE WORST KIND

IF YOU AGREE WITH THIS YOUR PART OF THE PROBLEM.
IF YOU DON'T AGREE YOUR PART OF THE SOLUTION.
IF YOU DON'T LIKE IT - DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT.

"THE GIFT"

TO THOSE WHOSE LIFE IS HELL
WHO FACE EACH DAY WITH PAIN
NOT KNOWING IF THEY'LL EAT THAT DAY
OR LOSE ONE THEY HOLD DEAR
I PLEDGE A GIFT.

TO THOSE WHOSE MINDS ARE BEING POISONED
BY LIES, BY IGNORANCE, BY DRUGS
THEIR FAMILIES WRECKED BY ALCOHOL
AND THEIR CHILDREN TREATED LIKE DOGS
I PLEDGE A GIFT.

I AM ONLY A MAN WITH NOTHING TO LOSE
AN INDIVIDUAL MOULDED BY FATE
I'VE SEEN I'VE HEARD ENOUGH FOR ONE
AND MY INDIFFERENCE HAS TURNED TO HATE
I PLEDGE A GIFT, MY LIFE.

THE ART OF STEALING HUMAN RIGHTS

THE FOLLOWING EXTRACTS ARE FROM A SPEECH GIVEN BY GERRY GAMBILL AT A CONFERENCE ON HUMAN RIGHTS AT TOBIQUE RESERVE IN NEW BRUNSWICK, IN AUGUST, 1968. IN THIS SPEECH, HE WARNED NATIVE PEOPLE ABOUT HOW THIS SOCIETY GOES ABOUT TAKING AWAY THE HUMAN RIGHTS OF NATIVE PEOPLE.

*THE ART OF DENYING INDIANS THEIR HUMAN RIGHTS HAS BEEN REFINED TO A SCIENCE. THE FOLLOWING LIST OF COMMONLY USED TECHNIQUES WILL BE HELPFUL IN "BURGLAR-PROOFING" YOUR RESERVES, AND YOUR RIGHTS.

GAIN THE INDIANS CO-OPERATION - IT IS MUCH EASIER TO STEAL SOMEONE'S HUMAN RIGHTS IF YOU CAN DO IT WITH HIS OWN CO-OPERATION.

SO.....

1. MAKE HIM A NON PERSON. HUMAN RIGHTS ARE FOR PEOPLE. CONVINCE INDIANS THEIR ANCESTORS WERE SAVAGES, THAT THEY WERE PAGAN, THAT INDIANS ARE DRINKARDS. MAKE THEM WARDS OF THE GOVERNMENT, MAKE A LEGAL DISTINCTION, AS IN THE INDIAN ACT, BETWEEN INDIANS AND PERSONS. WRITE HISTORY BOOKS THAT TELL HALF THE STORY.

2. CONVINCE THE INDIAN THAT HE SHOULD BE PATIENT, THAT THESE THINGS TAKE TIME. TELL HIM THAT WE ARE MAKING PROGRESS, AND THAT PROGRESS TAKES TIME.

3. MAKE HIM BELIEVE THAT THINGS ARE BEING DONE FOR HIS OWN GOOD. TELL HIM THAT YOU'RE SURE THAT AFTER HE HAS EXPERIENCED YOUR LAWS AND ACTIONS THAT HE WILL REALISE HOW GOOD THEY HAVE BEEN. TELL THE INDIAN HE HAS TO TAKE A LITTLE OF THE BAD IN ORDER TO ENJOY THE BENEFITS YOU ARE CONFERRING ON HIM.

4. GET SOME INDIAN PEOPLE TO DO THE DIRTY WORK. THERE ARE ALWAYS THOSE WHO WILL ACT FOR YOU TO THE DISADVANTAGE OF THEIR OWN PEOPLE, JUST GIVE THEM A LITTLE HONOR AND PRAISE. THIS IS GENERALLY THE FUNCTION OF BAND COUNCILS, CHIEFS AND ADVISORY COUNCILS: THEY HAVE LITTLE LEGAL POWER, BUT CAN HANDLE THE TOUGH DECISIONS SUCH AS WELFARE, ALLOCATION OF HOUSING, ETC.

5. CONSULT THE INDIAN, BUT DO NOT ACT ON THE BASIS OF WHAT YOU HEAR. TELL THE INDIAN HE HAS A VOICE AND GO THROUGH THE MOTIONS OF LISTENING. THEN INTERPRET WHAT YOU HAVE HEARD TO SUIT YOUR OWN NEEDS.

6. INSIST THAT THE INDIAN "GOES THROUGH THE PROPER CHANNELS". MAKE THE CHANNELS AND THE PROCEDURES SO DIFFICULT THAT HE WON'T BOTHER TO DO ANYTHING, WHEN HE DISCOVERS WHAT THE PROPER CHANNELS ARE AND BECOMES PROFICIENT AT THE PROCEDURES, CHANGE THEM.

7. MAKE THE INDIAN BELIEVE THAT YOU ARE WORKING HARD FOR HIM, PUTTING IN MUCH OVERTIME AND AT A GREAT SACRIFICE, AND IMPLY THAT HE SHOULD BE APPRECIATIVE. THIS IS THE ULTIMATE IN SKILLS IN STEALING HUMAN RIGHTS: WHEN YOU OBTAIN THE THANKS OF YOUR VICTIM.

8. ALLON A FEW INDIVIDUALS TO "MAKE THE GRADE" AND THEN POINT TO THEM AS EXAMPLES. SAY THAT THE "HARDWORKERS" AND THE "GOOD" INDIANS HAVE MADE IT, AND THAT THEREFORE IT IS A PERSON'S OWN FAULT IF HE DOESN'T SUCCEED.

9. APPEAL TO THE INDIANS' SENSE OF FAIRNESS, AND TELL HIM THAT EVEN THOUGH THINGS ARE PRETTY BAD IT IS NOT RIGHT FOR HIM TO MAKE STRONG PROTESTS. KEEP THE ARGUMENT GOING ON HIS FORM OF PROTEST AND AVOID TALKING ABOUT THE REAL ISSUE. REFUSE TO DEAL WITH HIM WHILE HE IS PROTESTING. TAKE ALL THE FIRE OUT OF HIS EFFORTS.

10. ENCOURAGE THE INDIAN TO TAKE HIS CASE TO COURT. THIS IS VERY EXPENSIVE, TAKES LOTS OF TIME AND ENERGY AND IS VERY SAFE BECAUSE THE LAWS ARE STACKED AGAINST HIM. THE COURT'S RULING WILL DEFEAT THE INDIAN'S CAUSE, BUT MAKES HIM THINK HE HAS OBTAINED JUSTICE.

11. MAKE THE INDIAN BELIEVE THAT THINGS COULD BE WORSE, AND THAT INSTEAD OF COMPLAINING ABOUT THE LOSS OF HUMAN RIGHTS, TO BE GRATEFUL FOR THE HUMAN RIGHTS HE DO HAVE. IN FACT, CONVINCE HIM THAT TO ATTEMPT TO REGAIN A RIGHT HE HAS LOST IS LIKELY TO JEOPARDIZE THE RIGHTS THAT HE STILL HAS.

12. SET YOURSELF UP AS THE PROTECTOR OF THE INDIANS' HUMAN RIGHTS, AND THEN YOU CAN CHOOSE TO ACT ON ONLY THOSE VIOLATIONS YOU WISH TO ACT UPON, BY GETTING SUCCESSFUL ACTION ON A FEW MINOR VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS. YOU CAN POINT THESE AS EXAMPLES OF YOUR DEVOTION TO HIS CAUSE. THE BURGLAR WHO IS ALSO THE DOORMAN IS THE PERFECT COMBINATION.

13. PRETEND THAT THE REASON FOR THE LOSS OF HUMAN RIGHTS IS FOR SOME OTHER REASON THAN THAT THE PERSON IS AN INDIAN. TELL HIM SOME OF YOUR BEST FRIENDS ARE INDIANS AND THAT HIS LOSS OF RIGHTS IS BECAUSE OF HIS HOUSEKEEPING, HIS DRINKING, HIS CLOTHING. IF HE IMPROVES IN THESE AREAS, IT WILL BE NECESSARY FOR YOU TO ADOPT ANOTHER TECHNIQUE OF STEALING HIS RIGHTS.

14. MAKE THE SITUATION MORE COMPLICATED THAN IS NECESSARY. TELL THE INDIAN YOU WILL HAVE TO TAKE A SURVEY TO FIND OUT JUST HOW MANY OTHER INDIANS ARE BEING DISCRIMINATED AGAINST. HIRE A GROUP OF PROFESSORS TO MAKE A YEAR-LONG RESEARCH PROJECT.

15. INSIST ON UNANIMITY. LET THE INDIAN KNOW THAT WHEN ALL THE INDIANS IN CANADA CAN MAKE UP THEIR MINDS ABOUT JUST WHAT THEY WANT AS A GROUP, THEN YOU WILL ACT. PLAY ONE GROUP'S SPECIAL SITUATION AGAINST ANOTHER GROUP'S WISHES.



Some of the story convince you that he should be patient, that things take time. Tell you that we are making progress, and that progress takes time - Tell em.

16. SELECT VERY LIMITED ALTERNATIVES, NEITHER OF WHICH HAS MUCH MERIT, AND THEN TELL THE INDIAN THAT HE INDEED HAS A CHOICE. ASK, FOR INSTANCE, IF HE COULD OR WOULD RATHER HAVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS IN JUNE OR DECEMBER, INSTEAD OF ASKING IF HE WANTS THEM AT ALL.

17. CONVINCE THE INDIAN THAT THE LEADERS WHO ARE THE MOST BENEFICIAL AND POWERFUL ARE DANGEROUS AND NOT TO BE TRUSTED, OR SIMPLY LOCK THEM UP ON SOME CHARGE LIKE DRIVING WITH NO LIGHTS, OR REFUSE TO LISTEN TO THE REAL LEADERS AND SPEND MUCH TIME WITH THE WEAK ONES. KEEP THE PEOPLE SPLIT FROM THEIR LEADERS BY SPREADING RUMOUR. FIRST GET THE BEST LEADERS INTO HIGH-PAYING JOBS WHERE THEY HAVE TO KEEP QUIET TO KEEP THEIR PAYCHECK COMING IN.

18. SPEAK OF THE COMMON GOOD. TELL THE INDIAN THAT YOU CAN'T CONSIDER YOURSELVES WHEN THERE IS THE WHOLE NATION TO THINK OF. TELL THE INDIAN THAT HE CAN'T THINK ONLY OF HIMSELF. FOR INSTANCE, IN REGARD TO HUNTING RIGHTS, TELL HIM WE HAVE TO THINK OF ALL OF THE HUNTERS, OR THE SPORTING GOOD INDUSTRY.

19. REMOVE RIGHTS SO GRADUALLY THAT PEOPLE DON'T REALISE WHAT HAS HAPPENED UNTIL IT IS TOO LATE. AGAIN, IN REGARD TO HUNTING RIGHTS, FIRST RESTRICT THE GEOGRAPHICAL AREA WHERE HUNTING IS PERMITTED THEN CUT THE SEASON TO CERTAIN TIMES OF THE YEAR, THEN CUT THE LIMITS DOWN GRADUALLY, THEN INSIST ON LICENSING, AND THEN INDIANS WILL BE ON THE SAME GROUNDS AS WHITE SPORTSMEN.

20. RELY ON REASON AND LOGIC (YOUR REASON AND LOGIC) INSTEAD OF RIGHTNESS AND MORALITY. GIVE THOUSANDS OF REASONS FOR THINGS, BUT DO NOT GET TRAPPED INTO ARGUMENTS ABOUT WHAT IS RIGHT.

21. HOLD A CONFERENCE ON HUMAN RIGHTS, HAVE EVERYONE BLOW OFF STEAM AND TENSION, AND GO HOME FEELING THAT THINGS ARE WELL IN HAND.

CUT THIS OUT . . .

. . . STUDY IT !!

Letters to the Editor

ELECTION PROPOSALS NO: NO: NO:

WELL ELECTION TIME IS HERE AGAIN. IT CAN BE SEEN CLEARLY NOW THAT ELECTIONS ARE FOR BIG SHOTS. THATCHER IS BUILDING A PULP MILL FOR THE PEOPLE AT DORE LAKE, AN IRON ORE MINE AT CHOICELAND AND ANOTHER OPEN PIT COAL MINE AT ESTEVAN. BIG DEAL: THE PEOPLE OF SASKATCHEWAN ARE BEING POLITICALLY B.S.'D AGAIN ESPECIALLY THE NATIVE PEOPLE.

1. THEY ARE MAKING A BIG DEAL OF THE DORE LAKE PULP MILL WHILE FIVE PULP MILLS IN B.C. ARE CLOSING DOWN BECAUSE OF AN OVERSUPPLY ON THE WORLD MARKET. THERE ARE 77 PULP MILLS IN B.C. ALONE. THINK ABOUT IT.
2. THE IRON MINE AT CHOICELAND WILL BE OPEN PIT MINING. MACHINES DOING THE WORK. SMALL LABOUR FORCE COMPARED TO POPULATION OF AREA. HOW MANY NATIVES? THINK.
3. A COAL STRIP MINE AT ESTEVAN. AGAIN OPEN PIT MACHINES. SMALL LABOUR FORCE. WHO BENEFITS? THINK AGAIN.

THESE THREE THINGS HAVE MORE OR LESS STARTED WITHIN THE LAST SIX MONTHS. WHY? ELECTION. JUNE 73

A GOOD EXAMPLE OF POLITICAL MANOEUVRING.

WHO WILL BENEFIT???

KEEP THINKING

HOW IN HELL ARE WE SUPPOSED TO GET SOMETHING GOING AT OUR LOCALS IF THE PEOPLE DON'T ATTEND THE MEETINGS. ITS ABOUT TIME THE NATIVE PEOPLE OPENED THEIR EYES AND GOT OFF THEIR BACK SIDES AND SUPPORTED SOME OF THE LOCALS' IDEAS. I KNOW ITS HARD TO RUN ON HALF BREED TIME, BUT SITTING BACK AND LAUGHING ISN'T GOING TO SOLVE THE PROBLEMS. REGINA LOCAL HAS NO EXCUSE FOR NOT BEING ONE OF THE BIGGEST LOCALS IN THE PROVINCE, YET WHEN I ATTEND A MEETING OF LOCAL NINE, YOU'RE LUCKY IF YOU SEE TEN PEOPLE. (MAYBE)

WHAT'S THE PROBLEM?????

JIM LEJOUR.
REGINA.

"Had there been no neglect there would have been no rebellion. If no rebellion, then no arrest. If no arrest, then no trial. If no trial then no condemnation. If no condemnation, then no execution. They therefore who are responsible for the first are responsible for every link in that fatal chain."

EDUARD BLAKE
on the execution of Riel
1885



QUOTES

WE DO NOT BEE FOR THESE RIGHTS. NOR DO WE THANK YOU --- WE DO NOT THANK YOU FOR THEM BECAUSE WE PAID FOR THEM --- AND GOD HELP IF THE PRICE WE PAID WAS EXORBITANT. WE PAID FOR THEM WITH OUR CULTURE, AND OUR DIGNITY AND OUR SELF RESPECT. WE PAID AND PAID UNTIL WE BECAME A BEATEN RACE. POVERTY STRICKEN, AND CONQUERED.

BY CHIEF DAN GEORGE

IF DEMOCRACY IS WHAT IT'S SUPPOSED TO BE -- THAT THE MAJORITY RULES -- THEN THE MAJORITY IS STRUGGLING WITH THE MINORITY TO GET ACROSS ITS ASPIRATIONS AND OPINIONS --

BY JAMES WASHIE
PRES. INDIAN BROTHERHOOD
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"PIAPOT POW WON"
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WITH BUFFY ST. MARIE

"PRINCE ALBERT"
JUNE 18 - 19 - 20

"BATSCHÉ METIS"
JUNE 25, 26, 27, 28

"Onion Lake Pow Wons"
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DANCE - BANQUET - CELEBRATION

ENJOY THE MUSIC OF

"THE NATIVE SONS"

TRUE SONS OF THIS OUR LAND. (SEE POLLITIER
GENERAL DELIVERY
FORT QU'APPILLI)

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FOR OR AGAINST - LETTERS, ARTICLES, PHOTOS WITH NAMES, DATES, PLACES, POETRY OF ALL KINDS. CARTOONS - LOTS OF THEM.

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