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Indian Women Of TODAY



She is a Labour Representative . . .

Marie-Paule GrosLouis is an Indian woman who is involved in a field of activity rarely contemplated by woman.

She is Canada's only Indian woman to work in labour relations. She represents the "hello girls" of the Bell Telephone Company in Montreal on a bargaining committee of the Traffic Employees' Association, an independent trade union negotiating contracts for 12,000 employees of Bell.

Miss GrosLouis was born and brought up on the Village des Hurons Reserve outside Quebec City. She joined the union when she began working for Bell Telephone 10 years ago. "I didn't take much interest in union work until five years ago," she says. "I was then elected a union representative by 150 girls.

"I don't know why they should elect me, except that I seem to get along with everybody.

"At the first meeting I attended, I was elected Montreal district secretary and later became chairman. I've just gone on from there."

Her first experience in the complex procedure of management-labour bar-

gaining was last summer when she was sent to Toronto to meet officials of the Bell company for informal talks.

"I'm really taking my union work seriously now," says Miss GrosLouis. "I study national and provincial economics and anything about labour relations. I hope to take courses in public speaking and in political economy."

She's even thinking seriously that some day she may become a full-time union organizer. "But I'm not sure yet that it would be the best field for me," she adds.

In her home community as a child she learned Indian handicrafts. Today her favourite recreations are camping and canoeing.

Indian women are coming to the fore, both on and off the reserves, in business and in local government. Eleven are chiefs, 66 are councillors. Women are active in welfare administration, in Homemakers' Clubs, in health committees—and of course many are earning their own living. This issue tells about some of them.



She Has Her Own Business . . .

Mrs. Aaron Soney, born on the Sarnia Reserve, operates her own restaurant on the Walpole Island Reserve (Ont.) at a strategic point opposite the ferry dock to the United States. It's a busy spot. She is helped in the evenings by her husband, a clerk in the agency office. She also has two women em-

ployees. "I couldn't bake a thing when I first started," she declares. "Now I make all my own pies and do some of the cooking." She began with a one-room snack bar but has since expanded. Now this busy mother of two youngsters has a large dining room as well.



She is a Bank Cashier . . .

Banks pick their cashiers for their intelligence, charm and ability to meet the public.

Five years ago the Royal Bank of Canada picked Miss Jacqueline McLeod of the Nipissing Band to work in its branch office in Sturgeon Falls. She is now a popular young member of the town's business life.

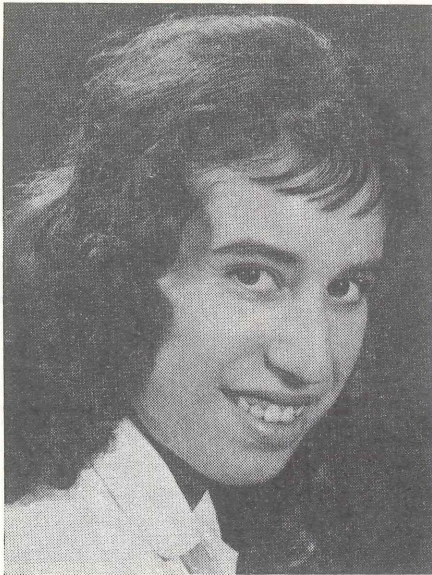
Miss McLeod, whose grandfather was a former chief of the Nipissing Band, is the third eldest child of 14 children born to Mr. and Mrs. Fred McLeod. She went to public school in Sturgeon Falls up to grade six and Separate School to grade eight before enrolling at Sturgeon Falls High School. The principal, C. G. Watson, that she led her class academically

When the opening in the bank occurred, Mr. Watson and the Indian Superintendent of the Nipissing Agency, Henry Gauthier, recommended her for the position.

Says A. S. Bourque, manager of the branch: "From the time she was appointed, no discrimination whatsoever has been shown and she has been accepted by the rest of the staff without reservations of any kind. She is a rather shy girl of quiet, pleasing personality who carries out her assignments in an unobtrusive and efficient manner."

Miss McLeod enjoys bowling and for hobbies embroiders and quilts. She is a member of the Nipissing

THIS YEAR'S SCHOLARSHIPS WON BY EIGHTEEN



ANNE SHIRLEY THOMPSON, 16, St. Regis Band, Ontario, \$500 vocational scholarship to take grade 12 commercial at St. Lawrence High School in Cornwall. Last year in grade 11 she attained 74 percent.



MARJORIE GOULD, 21, Eskasoni Band, Nova Scotia, \$1,330 for a teacher training scholarship to take a Bachelor of Education degree course at Mount St. Bernard College, Antigonish. She attained her B.A. in June 1960.

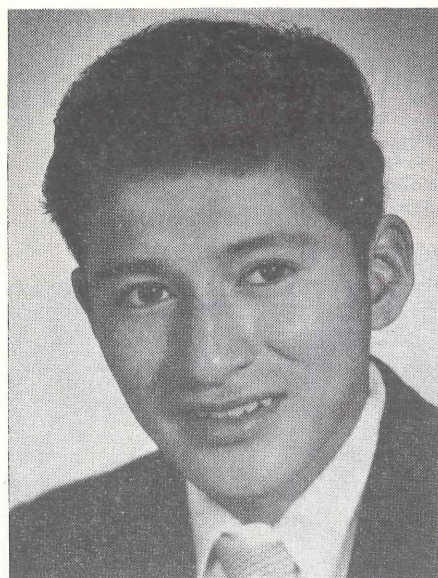


EDITH DUMONT, 23, Huron Band, Quebec, \$1,250 for her final year at Laval University where she is taking social work. She already has attained her Bachelor of Education degree.



JOSEPHINE JACK, 20, Atlin-Teslin Band, Yukon, \$1,050 vocational scholarship to take a secretarial course at Vancouver Vocational Institute. Josephine attended Lejac Residential School, Lower Post Residential Schools and Whitehorse Elementary-High School.

SIMON FROGG, 17, Trout Lake Band, northern Ontario, \$970 vocational training scholarship to take grade 11 technical course at Sir James Dunn High School, Sault Ste. Marie. Simon, who wants to be a meteorologist, led his class last year.



HERBY LABILLOIS, 24, Restigouche Band, \$1,400 art scholarship to take his second year of art training at St. John Vocational School, St. John, N.B. He was second in class last year.

CLARE CLIFTON BRANT, 19, Tyendinaga Band, Ontario, \$1,200 scholarship to take second year pre-medical course at Queen's University. His sister Marlene has her M.A. degree in social work.

LILLIAN GEORGE, 23, Casca Band, \$1,250 to attend the University of Alberta for a course in nursing teaching and supervision. She formerly attended Grouard Residential School, McLennan High School, McLennan, Alta. and the General Hospital School of Nursing in Edmonton.

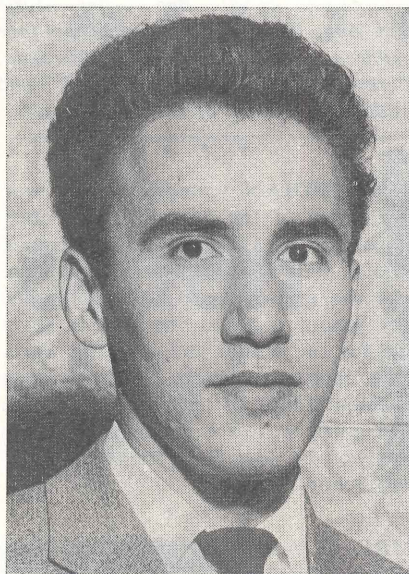
MISS HAZEL MCBRIDE, 19, of the Temiskaming Band, Quebec, was awarded a \$950 scholarship to continue teacher training at Chapeau. She later withdrew from the awards when she accepted a teaching post in northern Ontario.



Four Go To Saskatchewan



CAROL KINGFISHER, 20, William Twatts Band, Sask., \$1,250 to attend Saskatchewan Teachers College. She obtained all her schooling at Prince Albert Residential School and Riverside Collegiate in Prince Albert.



THOMAS STEVENSON, 24, Cowessess Band, Sask., \$1,300 to continue his studies towards a licentiate in music. This is the third year in succession Tom has won a scholarship.



ANDREW GEORGE, 20, Ochapawace Band, Sask., \$1,250 to take his first year Bachelor of Education at the University of Saskatchewan. For the past two years he has attended Whitewood High School, Sask., supported by his widowed mother and brother William, and is reported to have demonstrated many qualities which promoted better understanding between Indian and non-Indian in the Whitewood district.



ROSELLA MCKAY, 19, Kahkewistahaw Band, Sask., \$525 to take the first year of the diploma course at the School of Nursing, University of Saskatchewan. She attended Broadview Public School, then Birtle Residential School and completed senior matric at Shaunavon High School, Sask. where she was the only Indian in the school.



JOCELYN WILSON, 19, The Pas, \$625 nursing scholarship to train at Victoria General Hospital, Winnipeg. She attended The Pas Indian Day School for nine years, then Prince Albert Collegiate for four.



STELLA TOM, 18, Seton Lake Band, B.C. \$1,200 to train as a teacher at the College of Education, University of B.C. She attended Kamloops Residential School and later the joint R.C. High School there.

JOHN DELISLE, 19, Caughnawaga Band, Quebec, \$500 vocational training scholarship to take second year trade course at Montreal Trades School. He was first out of a class of 26 last year with an average of 83.3 percent.



MARILYN E. FRANCIS, 18, Lennox Island Band, Prince Edward Island, \$1,100 nursing scholarship to continue her second year at Mount St. Vincent College, Halifax. Marilyn won a similar scholarship last year. She is following a university course leading to a Bachelor of Science degree in nursing.

SYLVIA EAGLECHILD, 22, Blood Band, Alberta, \$250 nursing scholarship to take second year training at the Holy Cross Hospital School of Nursing, Calgary. She attended St. Mary's Residential School for 10 years, and later spent two years at St. Mary's High School in Calgary.



HERE AND THERE

REGINALD MASON, an Indian boogie-woogie player from Hartley Bay, British Columbia, won the grand prize at a talent show staged in Prince Rupert by the Order of the Royal Purple. Another Indian, rock-and-roller Alec Leighton, was second.

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LOWER POST Indian Residential School played host this year to the annual sports' day for seven schools in northern British Columbia. Indian and non-Indian parents mingled happily watching their children compete. Lower Post school this year came second out of the seven schools, having won the trophy twice in the past.

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IRENE CARDINAL from Bonnyville and Peter Yellowhorn from Brocket, represented Indian students at the United Nations Association Summer School in Banff. "It is my considered opinion that the two were excellent choices," said G. L. Brown, the seminar director. "If there are above-average students like these two available next year, we will be delighted to have them."

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THE FIRST BAND in Canada to accept the right to spend its own revenue, the Tyendinaga Mohawk band, has used part of its first year's budget to publish a booklet outlining their history. It is selling as a tourist souvenir booklet for travellers along the St. Lawrence Seaway route.

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FRANK POWDERFACE, an Indian, and Eugene Scown, a non-Indian, are partners in a new coffee shop and general store on the Stony Reserve near Calgary.

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BARBARA GARLOW, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Garlow of the Six Nations Reserve, is working in the New York office of United Airlines. Her father is a school principal. Barbara has one brother who is taking a course at Brantford Business College.

ROBERT HENRY, a councillor of the Mississauga of the Credit band council, was one of 200 truckers who received safe driving awards during the safe driving banquet at Hagersville, Ontario. Mr. Henry, a married man with nine children, drives for Laidlaw Transport Company, Hagersville.

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WINNERS in the second annual homes and grounds contest at Whitefish Reserve near Sudbury were: for homes—1. Mrs. Mary Naponse; 2. Mrs. Prince Nootchta; 3. Mrs. Nora King; 4. Mrs. Steven Nebonaionoquet; for grounds—1. Mrs. Steven Nebonaionoquet; 2. Mrs. James Nootchta; 3. Mrs. Emmet Paishegwonabe. Mrs. Nebonaionoquet won the trophy, presented by Fielding Lumber Company of Sudbury, for the most points for both home and grounds.

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CHIPEWYAN INDIANS from reserves at Patuanak and Canoe Lake attended the third six-week summer courses at the Indian Residential School at Beauval Sask. The course is designed to give families practical training in subjects that will be of value in daily living. Subjects included skiff and boat building, furniture making, mechanics, trapping, fishing, household management, child care, home nursing, sewing, knitting, canning and food preservation.

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THE MEMBERS of the Married Women's Society staged a banquet to mark the advent of hydro power on the Heron Bay Reserve in northern Ontario. They were led by president Mrs. Stan Michano, assisted by Mrs. Matt Michano, Mrs. Tommy Starr and Mrs. Toussant Michano.

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BOB GEORGE of the Tesallwatt Band, North Vancouver, is the first Indian to win a professional TV contract. He was one of the stars of the CBC series "Cariboo Country". By the time the series was over, 14 of his fellow Indians

had appeared, including all but one of Bob's family. They included Chief Dan George and his wife, Bob's sisters Marie and Ann, his brother Leonard, his four children, and Chief Louis Miranda, Percy Paul, Andrew Naturell, and Teddy Seward, all of North Vancouver.

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TWO INDIAN youngsters have won top prizes in the annual B.C. Tuberculosis Poster Contest. Ruth Newman, 15 of St. Paul's School, North Vancouver, was the grand award winner for the day school contest. She won a silver cup for the school and a spring wardrobe, chosen for her by Marie Moreau, Fashion Editor of the Vancouver Sun. The grand prize for residential schools was won by Alex Paul, 16 of the Cariboo School.

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MRS. T. NEPTON, on behalf of the Indian Handicraft Group at Pointe-Bleue, Quebec, says that the loan of \$500 which the women borrowed earlier this year to promote their handicraft work, has now been paid back.

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FIVE INDIANS in the Aklavik Agency collected \$3,200 from a logging contract with the Department of Public Works. The Indians paid \$700 to a private contractor for delivery and after paying this each man made about \$500 for a week's work.

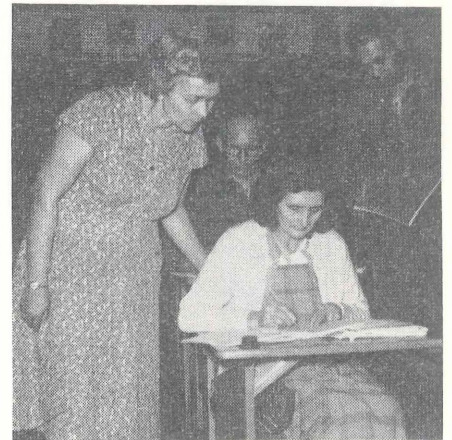
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THE ISLAND TUG and Barge Company Ltd. of British Columbia is offering a \$150 scholarship to an Indian student living on Vancouver Island. The scholarship will assist a student planning to attend Victoria University.

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VIEWERS ON the Canadian Broadcasting Company coast-to-coast TV network on August 7 saw a documentary film on "Country Calendar" describing everyday life on the Blood Reserve in Alberta.

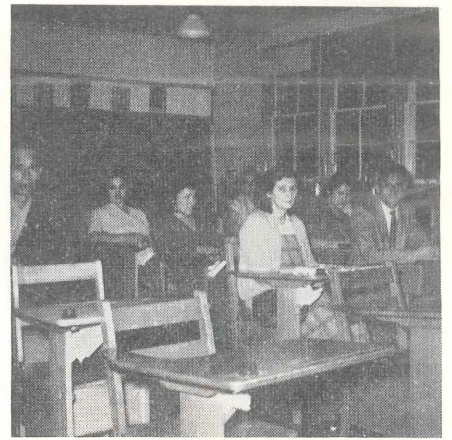
Okanagan Adults Improve 3Rs At Night School



At night school on the Okanagan Reserve No. 1, British Columbia, interested adults are attending classes to improve their English (both written and oral), spelling, writing and arithmetic.

Other adults—not enrolled in night school—turned out for the weekly class on "Conducting meetings," under instructor R. M. Sibilleau.

Seen above, looking over a book, are left to right: Mrs. Rosie Louis, John Alexis, Mrs. Ella Alexis and Willie Lawrence. Below: at a "mock meeting" are, left to right: John Alexis, Dora Alexis, Mable Louis, Ella Alexis, Rosie Louis, Eva Lawrence and Murray Alexis.



Tenderfoot Pins Given Stony Girls

For a year now the young girls on the Stony Reserve at Winterburn, Alberta, have been taking part in girl guide and Brownie activities. Some have had to walk three or four miles from their homes to attend the weekly meetings.

Now they are fully-fledged members of the Canadian Girl Guide Association and have been officially presented with their tenderfoot pins.

The adults of the Enoch band encouraged the girls. They provided a uniform to every one who was interested in Guiding. When the pins were presented at a formal banquet, Chief William Morin talked about the value of good leadership and promised help to the newly-organized Guide and Brownie packs.

The mayor of Jasper Place, Kenneth Newman, whose wife had helped to organize the Indian girls, presented the tenderfoot pins.



Enrolled as Guides were: Marlene McDonald, Frances McGillis, Barbara Peacock, Ethel Morin, Lydia Collingbull, Helen Peacock, Georgina Ward, Pauline Papen, Marcella Morin, Lillie Morin, Gladys McDonald and Doreen

Ward; enrolled as Brownies were: Darlene Peacock, Sylvia Collingbull, Leona Morin, Nancy Morin, Anna Rose Morin, Elizabeth Morin, Sylvia McGillis, Barbara Collingbull, Laura Morin, Patricia Alexander, Judy Morin,

Esther Ward, Myrtle Ward, Yvonne Morin and Viola Peacock.

The leaders are: Mrs. Ben Gordon, Guide captain; Mrs. Charlie Cowan, lieutenant; Mrs. Alex Peacock, brown owl; Miss Monica Morin, tawny owl.



At Work In Whitehorse

These two young women are both Yukon Indians and work in Whitehorse, the territorial capital. Sally Jackson, left, originally is from Teslin. She is a stenographer with the Territorial Government. After a spell in Camsell Hospital at Edmonton, she took a commercial course and started work in Whitehorse four years ago. Josephine Netro, right, of Old Crow, is an efficient and well-liked supermarket cashier. Her father is a storekeeper at Old Crow, north of the Arctic Circle.



NURSES' AIDES AT CAPPING



These four women from the Six Nations Reserve have been taking a course as certified nursing assistants at St. Joseph's Hospital in Brantford. They expect to work at Lady Willingdon Hospital at Ohsweken after graduation at the end of this year. Photographed at the capping ceremony they are, left to right: Mrs. Lorna Smith, Janet Davis, Carole Smith and Essie Jamieson. The Smiths are mother and daughter.

MARIE WORKS AT SCHEFFERVILLE



Marie Vachon works in the Montagnais Hotel at Schefferville in northern Quebec. She is a Montagnais Indian and her people have lived south of Schefferville for generations. With her are Evelyn Perrault, left, and June Riall, a New Canadian from Ireland, right.

Mohawk Girl Chosen Miss Indian Affairs

Margaret Brant, a modern Mohawk miss, was chosen as Miss Indian Affairs Branch for 1960, and was runner-up in the Miss Civil Service contest. Margaret represented the Branch in the finals of the beauty competition, competing against 25 girls from other departments of the federal government in Ottawa.

Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Brant of the Tyendinaga Reserve, Ont., Margaret has lived most of her life in the neighbouring town of Deseronto and went to school at Belleville Collegiate where she took a four-year commercial course. After graduating in grade 12 she joined the Indian Affairs Branch nearly three years ago.

She is secretary-treasurer of the newly-formed Indian Association of Ottawa which has 36 members and meets twice monthly for social evenings and dances. Non-Indians usually are invited. She is a member of the Ontario Department of Highways bowling league in Ottawa and for recreation plays the guitar.

She has four brothers, Sherman, a tool and die maker, Russell, a paper mill worker, Warren, now on a shopwork course and Albert, still at school, all living in Fulton, New York.



APPOINTED BY CHURCH

The appointment of a Cree woman as an associate worker of the Women's Missionary Society of the United Church of Canada has been announced by the Dominion Board of the Society.

She is Miss Eva Apetagon from Norway House, Manitoba.

Miss Apetagon completed grade nine at Birtle Residential School with some of the highest marks in the province. She has studied for the past four years at Cook Christian Training School in Phoenix, Arizona and graduated in May. She began her new work at Norway House in July, giving Christian leadership to her own community.

BURSARY FOR ATLIN GIRL

Josephine Jack of Atlin, B.C., is the winner of the Martha Louise Black memorial bursary awarded annually by the Whitehorse Chapter of the I.O.D.E.

This year the bursary was open to students graduating from Grade XII of Whitehorse High School, who planned to continue studies at a recognized educational institute.

Miss Jack, who placed first with an average of 72 percent, is attending the Vancouver Vocational Institute and taking a secretarial course. Josephine was a former student of the Lejac and Lower Post Indian Residential School and is one of this year's Indian Affairs Branch scholarship winners.

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WHAT INTEGRATION MEANS TO ME

By Ann Antone

(Author of this article is an 18-year-old Indian girl from Langley, B.C. She was educated to Grade 11 at St. Mary's Indian Residential School, Mission, B.C., then became one of the 50 Indian students pioneering in the integration program at St. Thomas Aquinas High School).

Integration at St. Thomas Aquinas High School has been a new experience for both the white and Indian children.

Looking back on our first week of school together, I think that we were both afraid of each other. I remember when Mr. Letcher (Indian agent) said to us, "they're more afraid of you than you are of them"—but we didn't find it so. Why was this? I guess it was because it was the first time some of us have mixed with whites. But we have managed somehow.

Being members of the young and growing Indian generation, the government has given us this chance to integrate with the white people—to show them that we can be like them, and maybe some day better. We hope to make very good use of this chance since the younger ones will have to follow in our footsteps, to show our people how to better themselves, their standard of education, their homes and their standard of providing a livelihood—since we will be leaving the reserves and some day we will not be obtaining help from those from whom we now expect it.

Those who have come for the first time to a white school, and it is their first time away from home, may find it hard. But they are overcoming this fear by making friends, mostly among the Indians.

We Indians do get together quite often and have time to talk over our difficulties. We enjoy ourselves much more together because we know each other better than we know the white children; but soon we hope to feel more at home among them, too.

I think those of us who are boarding in private homes feel more free, because we experience more family life and get more of a chance to meet people. It is not like being in a boarding school where, although we were taught the best and had some time to meet friends, we did not have the same chance to meet others as we do in a private home. Also, although we enjoyed family life in a boarding school, it was always in a huge group, whereas there are only one to three Indians boarded out in private homes.

As far as school is concerned, there seems to be one difficulty I think, and that is, if possible they should start integrating us when we are just starting school, then when we go from the lower grades to high school, we will not have the tendency to be so shy. But this can't be helped since this is only an experiment.

If this experiment works out, we hope that others will follow to help us better ourselves for our future life.

CBC Auditions Talented Singer

Ivan McNab, a young Indian singer from Gordon's Reserve at Punnichy, Saskatchewan, has been auditioned by the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation following his victory in the Cooperative Refinery talent show held in Regina.

Ivan won first prize of \$200 over 15 contestants from Saskatchewan and Manitoba. He gained entry into the finals by winning Coop District 7 talent show, the only Indian out of a field of 30.

Since winning the top prize Ivan has

made many public appearances—as many as four in one week—and has won acclaim in many towns in the Punnichy district.

The band council at Gordon's Reserve passed a resolution to finance his musical studies at the Conservatory of Music in Regina.

The village of Punnichy, proud of his success, held a social evening for him and presented him with a gold watch to commemorate his success.



Two Indians Are Selected To Take Charge Of Agencies

History was made in Saskatchewan this year with the appointment of David Greyeyes as superintendent of the Touchwood Indian Agency. His appointment is in line with government policy of promoting Indians to senior posts in Indian Affairs work.

Promotion has come quickly. A year ago he was assistant to the superintendent at the File Hills-Qu'Appelle Agency. Now he has his own staff of two clerks and three assistants in the town of Punnichy.

Greyeyes, now 40, proved himself an efficient farmer on his own Muskeg Lake Reserve west of Prince Albert.

After school at Muskeg Lake he went to Grade 11 at the residential schools first at Duck Lake and then at Qu'Appelle. He enlisted as a private in the second world war, became a non-commissioned officer and later a lieutenant in the Saskatoon Light Infantry.

After demobilization he returned to his reserve.

Leslie G. Smith, a Mohawk of the Six Nations Agency near Brantford, has been appointed to take charge of the Golden Lake Agency 100 miles west of Ottawa.

He took over his duties in June. Mr. Smith, seen above outside his office, was born on the Six Nations Reserve and went to school there and later, when his family moved south of the border, to high school in Buffalo, N.Y.

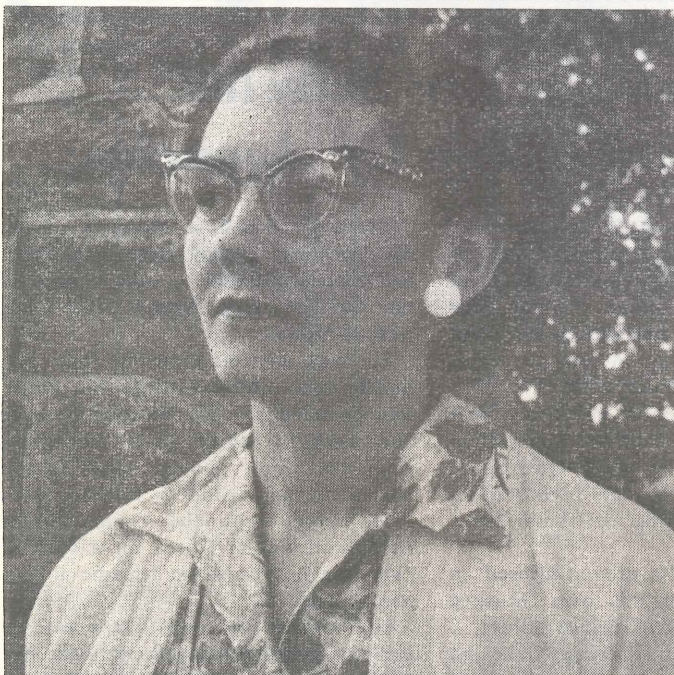
He served with the United States Army and was in Korea for a spell of duty. On his return he became a high steel worker.

In 1954 he returned to the reserve and was appointed secretary to the Six Nations band council. Four years later he joined Indian Affairs Branch, working first in the agency office at Six Nations and later in the regional office in Toronto.

He is married and has two boys. He and his family live in Eganville, a small town 10 miles from Golden Lake.



First votes cast by an Indian band since the right to vote in federal elections was extended to all adult Indians on July 31, were those balloted by the members of the Rice Lake band near Peterborough, Ont. Occasion was a federal by-election October 31. In the Hiawatha Council Hall are, from left to right: voter Lawrence Salleby; Chief Ralph Loucks, deputy returning officer; Lucy Musgrave, poll clerk; Eldon Muskrat, poll constable; On the table is bust of Chief Tecumseh. All political parties in Parliament supported the move to give Indians the federal vote.



Draw up Budgets

Walpole and Tyendinaga Appoint Women Treasurers

Mrs. Phyllis Green and Mrs. Shirley Williams are both women who keep the men in line.

They hold the purse-strings for two Indian bands in Ontario, Walpole Island and Tyendinaga. As band treasurers, their job is to make sure the councils do not overspend their budgets.

They are the first Indian treasurers to be appointed by bands in Canada.

Mrs. Green, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Abel Green, can claim the honour of being the first one. She was named treasurer of the Tyendinaga band in 1959, shortly after the members accepted the right to spend their own revenue monies. Mrs. Williams was appointed shortly afterwards when the Walpole Island band followed suit.

Mrs. Green went to school on the reserve up to grade eight, then attended Belleville Collegiate for four years. After graduation she completed a commercial course at the Ontario Business College in Belleville and went to work at Metcalfe Foods Ltd. in Deseronto, near her home. Her husband Donald is an electrician at the R.C.A.F. Station at Trenton. He was formerly a high steel worker in New York City. The Greens have two children, Donald E. and Dorothy Ann.

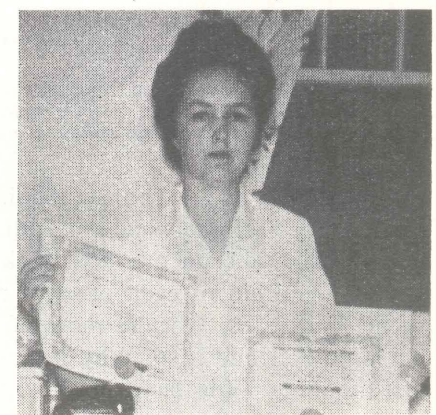
Mrs. Williams went to elementary school on Walpole reserve but, like Mrs. Green, attended a non-Indian high school. After finishing her course at Wallaceburg High—where she was outstanding in athletics and a leader of the girls—she began working in the Walpole Indian agency office until her marriage. Bookkeeping has always been her best subject and so it was natural that when the Walpole council wanted a treasurer, she should be selected for the job. Mrs. Williams also helps in the clerical work at the Indian and Northern Health Services' office on the reserve.

Mother of Five Runs Beauty Salon

Mrs. Genevieve Julian is a young widow of 28 who is supporting herself and five children by operating her own beauty shop.

Five years ago her husband, Thomas Edward Julian, a member of the Canadian Army, was killed in a car accident.

Since then Mrs. Julian of Shubenacadie Band, Nova Scotia, took a course



in hair dressing with the Trans-Canada Beauty Industries of Moncton, New Brunswick and graduated last year.

She received some financial help toward her fees but paid for her own board and lodging while in Moncton.

During 1959 a welfare house was built for her on the Millbrook Reserve in the town of Truro, N.S. and a room was set aside for a beauty shop. She bought the necessary equipment from her own resources and is now operating a very successful business.

Mud Lake Names Chief of Welfare

Mrs. Hanna Johnson has been appointed the welfare administrator by the Mud Lake Band, whose reserve is 25 miles north of Peterborough.

Her job: to administer relief to all band members.

"It's a big job," says this smiling young woman, "but I'm not afraid of it. I know I will make mistakes but I will soon learn."

In spring she attended the annual convention of the Ontario Welfare Association in Hamilton and met relief officers from all over the province. "I learned a great deal," she says.

This year the Ontario government agreed to pay 30 percent of relief costs of any Indian band coming under the General Welfare Assistance Act and the federal government 50 percent. "That means they will want a strict check on how we administer our welfare because they are paying such a large part of it," explains Mrs. Johnson. "The council will have to set up work programmes to help those people who have difficulty getting jobs."

"I shall be visiting everyone who asks for welfare and looking into their home circumstances. I shall be fair and I will go by the rules."

Mrs. Johnson spent eight years at school on the reserve then took a business course in Peterborough. She has worked in Peterborough, Ottawa, Niagara Falls for several companies before she married Victor Johnson, an employe of Outboard Marine Company, three years ago. She has a 12-year-old step-son and an adopted daughter.

"I'm going to be very busy," she laughs.

Other women acting as welfare administrators for Ontario bands include Mrs. Robert Cowie of Rice Lake Reserve, Mrs. Sarah Owl of Spanish River Reserve and Chief Flora Tabobandung of Parry Island Reserve.

Wins Silver Cup

The silver cup for the highest general standing at the Fredericton Business College this year has been won by Miss Annette Sacobie from the Kingsclear Reserve, New Brunswick.

Miss Sacobie, 19, entered the college with a class of 44 stenographic students and her final average marks were not only top of that class, but also highest among the total of 109 students attending during the year.

The president of the college says: "It is very gratifying to us to have an Indian student do so well at our school. We have had a number of Indian girls go through college in the past 15 years and we are pleased to be helping them better their education."



Walpole Names Two Women For Welfare Committee

The council of the Walpole Island Band in southwestern Ontario has picked two women to serve on the three-member welfare committee which investigates relief and welfare problems on the reserve.

They are Mrs. Amyline Soney and Mrs. Geraldine Peters. Third member is Edwin James.

The two women are kept busy visiting homes. The committee has also appointed regular hours for residents to discuss welfare problems. Members of the committee take turns at being present for

consultation at the council hall during these hours.

Mrs. Soney works in Algonac, Michigan (just across the river from Walpole.) Her husband Ford is a landscape gardener and duck guide. She has two daughters and one son. She is also recording secretary of the band council.

Mrs. Peters used to work in Algonac—where her husband has a steady job in the Chris-Craft boat works—but now operates her own taxi service. She uses a Volkswagon taxi bus to take children from one reserve school to another for certain special classes.



Mrs. Amyline Soney



Mrs. Geraldine Peters

Big Cove Girl At UN Seminar

Claudia Levy of Big Cove Reserve, New Brunswick, was chosen from a group of Maritime students to attend a United Nations Seminar at Mount Allison University during the summer.

Miss Levy is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Levy. She is 17, completed grade eight at the Big Cove day school and has been attending Saint Mary's Convent at Newcastle, N.B. for the past three years. She is now in grade 11 and is a popular member of her class.

She worked in the United States during the summer and her family helped gather the blueberry harvest in Maine.



MADAME VANIER VISITS FRIENDSHIP CENTRE



On her visit to Western Canada during the summer Madame Vanier, wife of the Governor-General, General Georges Vanier, visited the Indian-Metis Friendship Centre in Winnipeg. Left to right are: Harriet Mason, Cree; Marlene Brant, Mohawk; Ethel Blacksmith, Sioux; Madame Vanier; Mrs. Dorothy McKay from the Fisher River Reserve, assistant to the Centre's director; Mrs. Mary Guilbault, Cree; and Mrs. Dorothy Betz, Sioux.

WINS HOSPITAL BURSARY



Miss Laura Solomon, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Lloyd Solomon of the Saugeen Indian Reserve received the first nursing bursary to be awarded to an Indian student by Saugeen Memorial Hospital at Southampton. Earl Putman, owner and developer of Chippewa Country Club Estates, who contributed this bursary, is on the left while Miss E. Matheson, Assistant Superintendent of the hospital and Ellis Millard, chairman of the Nursing Bursary Committee, are shown congratulating Miss Solomon. Each bursary amounts to \$450. Mr. Putman specified that his bursary was to be awarded to an Indian student. Miss Solomon was a student at Saugeen District High School in Port Elgin and she began her nursing training at the Kitchener-Waterloo Hospital in September, 1960.

COUPLE MARRIED 60 YEARS



Over 100 friends gathered to celebrate the 60th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Sero, Mohawks of the Tyendinaga Reserve near Belleville, Ont. and to wish them many more years of happiness.

Chief Robert M. Hill was master of ceremonies. Congratulations were read from Queen Elizabeth, Prime Minister Diefenbaker, Premier Frost, Lee Grills, M.P. for Hastings South and Superintendent M. W. McCracken. Presentations were on behalf of the Friends and Neighbours Club at Tyendinaga, the Ladies Guild of the Anglican Church, the Province of Ontario, and by many individual friends.



CHIEF ANNA WHITEDUCK of the Golden Lake Reserve (Ont.) was educated in a convent school at Pembroke, 40 miles from her home. After taking a business course she began working in a lawyer's office in Pembroke, then went to Toronto to work for Canada Permanent Trust Company. She travelled for a year in the United States with her brother, came home in 1955 and became a secretary with Household Finance Company in Ottawa. A year later she married Robert Whiteduck, who has a steady job in Canada Veneers plant in Pembroke. They have three children. Mrs. Whiteduck has been active in the reserve Homemakers' Club and the Catholic Women's League and is treasurer of the Parent-Teacher Association.



CHIEF GENEVIEVE MUSSEL, left, is head of the Skwah Band near Chilliwack, British Columbia. She was brought up on the prairies and is an Indian by marriage. Her son is the first Indian from the Fraser Valley area to attend the University of British Columbia.

CHIEF ELSIE KNOTT, right, is serving her third term as chief of the Mississaguas of the Mud Lake Band near Peterborough, Ont. She is the longest serving woman chief in Canada. She owns and operates the school bus and drives pupils into the non-Indian schools at Lakefield.



CHIEF FLORENCE TOBOBONDUNG, above, heads the Ojibway Band at the Parry Island (Ont.) Reserve. She had formerly been secretary of the council. A widow with four children—including one grown-up son who is employed at a boat works in nearby Parry Sound—Chief Tobobondung is keenly interested in the Homemakers' Club and in welfare problems in her community.



CHIEF AMELIA WANI was chosen to head the Gull Bay Band, 150 miles northeast of Port Arthur on the shores of Lake Nipigon. Miss Wani looks after her home, takes care of her aged mother and a child who is not a member of her family. She is seen in the photo with Councillor Norman Escuaga, left, Superintendent A. R. Aquin and Sam King, right, councillor and part-time reserve constable.

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WOMEN CHIEFS



CHIEF MARY BERNARD, 23, is the youngest chief, and the first woman elected to head the Lennox Island Band, Prince Edward Island. She is married and has three small children to keep her busy in the home. She is an active member of the island's Community Club.



CHIEF LOUISE UNDERWOOD, 28, a cashier in a supermarket, was elected in 1960 to be chief of the Cowichan Band, the largest in British Columbia and the first in the west to accept responsibility for spending its own revenue. Here she is with members of her council, from left to right: Sam Wilson, Ross Modeste, Abner Thorne, Leonard Peter, Norman Joe, Janie Thorne (secretary-treasurer), Mack Page, William Joe, Sammy Henry and Alphonse Billy.



CHIEF JESSIE WATTS follows her father's footsteps in heading the Opetchesath Band on the River Road Reserve in British Columbia. Once, under the former tribal system of election, her grandmother led the band. With her is Councillor Earl Tatoosh.



CHIEF MARY PIUS heads the council of the Fort George Band near Prince George, British Columbia. Her main interests are to improve the Indian village of Fort George and to encourage the children to study for a good education.



CHIEF ALPHONSINE LAFOND heads the Petequaquey's Band on Saskatchewan's Muskeg Lake Reserve. She went to St. Michael's Residential School at Duck Lake and was employed away from the reserve for 11 years before her marriage. She was a councillor for two years. During that time the council promoted the integration of Indian pupils into the non-Indian school at Marcelin. She and her husband Albert farm 117 acres and also cultivate a large garden. They have four pre-school children. Left to right are: Councillor J. T. Arcand, Councillor Louis Arcand, Chief Lafond and husband Albert.

Une Semaine Sociale a groupé les Indiens du Québec

Une semaine d'étude sur l'action sociale, ayant pour but de favoriser la formation de cadres chez les Indiens a eu lieu du 26 juin au 3 juillet dernier au Village Huron de Loretteville, situé à une dizaine de milles de Québec. Vingt-huit délégués choisis par leurs Conseils respectifs, à raison de quatre par bande, représentaient cinq tribus à ces assises: les Abénaquis d'Odanak, les Algonquins de Notre-Dame du Nord et de Témiscamingue; les Hurons de Loretteville; les Iroquois d'Oka et les Montagnais de Bersimis, de Pointe Bleue et de Sept-Iles.

A cette occasion, les délégués indiens ont été les invités de leurs hôtes hurons chez qui ils ont logé tandis qu'ils prenaient en commun ils repas du midi et du soir à l'école du Village Huron. Les délégués se sont divisés en quatre équipes en vue de se partager les diverses responsabilités: entretien des locaux, service à table, organisation des programmes récréatifs, etc, et le travail des uns et des autres a été empreint de franche cordialité et d'un sincère esprit de collaboration.

Le cours a été organisé par la Direction des Affaires indiennes.

Plusieurs séances d'études vient s'ajouter à ces cours et projetèrent une lumière intéressante sur divers problèmes de caractère légal et économique ainsi que sur les coopératives de consommation et de production.

Le programme récréatif:

Dans le cadre de cette semaine sociale, des programmes récréatifs furent présentés chaque soir grâce à l'initiative et au travail des équipes formées à cette fin. Alors que quelques uns des programmes gardèrent un caractère intime, un spectacle d'envergure fut présenté le vendredi pour un grand public qui ne put qu'applaudir chaleureusement à la qualité des numéros présentés. Des danses typiquement indiennes, des chants inspirés du folklore indien, le tout offert dans un décor de sapins et de feu de champ, ont remporté un vif succès et valurent aux organisateurs de nombreux témoignages d'appréciation, en plus d'une expérience précieuse.

Indian Firefighters Win High Praise

The following is the text of a press release issued by the Ontario Department of Lands and Forests in October:

SIOUX LOOKOUT—Indians are playing a major role in checking timberland fires that flare up throughout the heavily forested areas of this Northern Ontario district.

Says District Forester W. G. Cleaveley: "It has been said that one Indian fire-fighter is the equivalent of four average white fire-fighters. After seeing them in action this year, it is difficult to argue against this comparison."

In addition to six permanent staff employees and 22 seasonal staffers of Indian extraction—in jobs ranging from clerks to towermen—the Dis-



Plusieurs délégués indiens de même que de nombreux représentants officiels de la Division des Affaires indiennes ont participé aux cours de formation de responsables d'action sociale qui ont été donnés du 26 juin au 3 juillet dernier au Village Huron, près de Québec. Cette photo qui fut prise au cours de cette semaine-là nous en fait voir un bon groupe. 1ère rangée, de gauche à droite: W. M. A. J. Doucet, inspecteur régional des Ecoles indiennes; R. L. Boulanger, surveillant régional des Agences indiennes; Anselme Cormier, Agent supérieur de liaison; A. R. Jolicoeur, Inspecteur régional des Ecoles indiennes, Elphège Sioui. 2ième rangée: Mme. Alphonse Picard, présidente du Cercle des Ménagères indiennes, Village Huron, Mlle Camélia Dumont et Mme Alex GrosLouis, également du Village Huron; Mme Georges Polson, de Notre-Dame du Nord; M. Thommy Nepton, de Pointe Bleue; Mme Georges Sioui, de Village Huron; Mlle Berthe Fortin, T. S. P. de la Division des Affaires indiennes; le Rév. Père André Renaud O.M.I.; 3ième rangée: M. Pierre Vollant, de Sept-Iles; M. Mathieu Labbé, de Bersimis; Mlle Gilberte Dufour, de Québec; Mme Henry Polson, de Notre-Dame du Nord; M. Georges Polson, de Notre Dame du Nord également; Mme Rock Robertson, présidente du Cercle des ménagères indiennes de Pointe Bleue; M. Moise Bacon, de Bersimis; M. Adhémair Fontaine, de Sept-Iles. 4ième rangée: Mlle Marcelline Picard, de Bersimis; Harry Gros Louis, de Village Huron; Mme Moise Babon, de Bersimis; Mme Paul Richard, d'Oka; M. Claude Gill, de Pointe Bleue; Mlle Julienne Sioui, de Village Huron; le chef Henry Polson, de Notre-Dame du Nord; M. Lucien Vincent, d'Oka; Mme Thommy Connolly, de Pointe Bleue. Plusieurs autres délégués indiens ont aussi pris part à ces cours mais n'apparaissent pas sur cette photo. Ce sont: Mlle Myra Cree, de Oka; Mlle Pierrette Vincent, de Village Huron; Joseph Richard, d'Oka; Mlle Marjorie Hoff, de Odanak; Mme Louis Hannis, de Odanak également; Mme Auguste Gérôme, présidente du Cercle des Ménagères indiennes de Sept-Iles et Mme Ambroise Fontaine, aussi de Sept-Iles.

trict Office here hires 400 Indians during the fire season.

"They come from as far north as Lansdowne House, Pikangikum and Deer Lake, as well as from local areas," says Mr. Cleaveley. "We have heard nothing but praise for their work from men from outside the district as well as our own staff."

He adds: "We are indeed fortunate in having such a reliable and effective fire-fighting force to draw upon in times of emergency. I doubt if our suppression action on fires this year would have been as effective without this pool of skilled labour."

ALBERT REPRESENTS HIS SCHOOL AT GREAT FESTIVAL OF DRAMA

Late this summer Albert Canadian flew from his home in the Mackenzie River district and headed south for the Shakespearian Festival at Stratford, Ontario.

He carried with him the good wishes—and perhaps the envy—of his fellow students at Sir John Franklin High

School in Yellowknife. He had been chosen by the Department of Northern Affairs to represent the school at the Festival. Each year the Department picks two students from the Canadian north to attend.

Albert was chosen for his academic standing and his desire to continue grade 11 this current year. It was thought he would gain more from the trip than any of the other students—Indian, Eskimo or non-Indian.

Teachers at the school say that his scholastic abilities, coupled with his determination, make him a potential university candidate.



Albert is a member of the Slave E Band and for part of the summer worked as a labourer. With the money earned he bought his father a new canoe as well as giving him some ready cash.

Artifacts on Display at Yukon Museum

A major project is under way at the W. D. MacBride Museum. Under the supervision of Canadian archaeologist, Dr. Richard MacNeish, a ten-thousand year history of the Yukon Indian people is being put on display. One room has been set aside for the Indian exhibit, which will be the only one of its kind anywhere on the continent.

Clothing, hunting equipment, and bead work made by recent native populations will be ranged beside artifacts dating to 8000 BC, when simple spears and crude implements were used by ancient people in the Territory.

The unwritten history of the Yukon will be illustrated by coloured panels, giving details of soil layers and interpretation of objects found at several sites by Dr. MacNeish and his staff.

ART ON DISPLAY

The first major project of the Calumet Indian Club of Calgary was a December exhibition and sale of Indian handicrafts and artifacts. The 16 club members spent three months gathering material on Alberta reserves. Blood artist Gerald Tail Feathers had several works on display.

Three Contest Seats In B.C. Legislature Calder Wins Atlin

Frank Calder, 45, left, the first Indian to be elected to the British Columbia Legislature in 1949, was re-elected in the Atlin riding in September's provincial election. He had previously held the seat for seven years. Calder ran for the C.C.F. party. Two other well-known B.C. Indians, Horace Kelly, right, and Guy Williams, far right, also contested seats but lost out in the final voting.



Indians in the Navy

WAR PARTY RAIDS BRITAIN BUT EVERYONE HAS FUN



Sub-Lieutenant Bill Shead of Selkirk, Man., fits a headdress on Capt. J. S. DalGLISH, commander of the Royal Navy's gunnery school.



Able Seaman John McHugh of Gleichen, Alta.



Able Seaman Harold Lecoy of Great Falls, Man.



Able Seaman Charles Rabbitt of Morley, Alta.

Fifteen Indian members of the Royal Canadian Navy recently participated in a colorful ceremony in Portsmouth, England, and in so doing gave Canadian Indians their biggest publicity boost in the United Kingdom in years.

One officer and 14 men took part in the ceremony, which attracted the attention of press, radio and TV and hundreds of holidaying Britons who lined the streets to see the event.

It was the presentation of "Hosagami", a 25-foot totem pole, to the gunnery branch of the Royal Navy by the gunnery branch of the Royal Canadian Navy to mark 50 years of close association.

The totem pole, by B.C. carver Chief Mungo Martin, is now mounted near the main entrance to the Royal Navy's gunnery school located at Whale Island.

Sub-Lt. Bill Shead, 21, of Selkirk, Man., serving on board the frigate HMCS Fort Erie, was selected first and placed in charge of the group.

Included were three brothers from the Oneida Band. Petty Officer Frederick Jamieson, 30, the eldest brother, was serving at HMCS Shearwater, the naval air station near Dartmouth, NS. His brother, Erick, 24, was also at HMCS Shearwater, while Peter, 21, was serving in the frigate HMCS Buckingham.

The two eldest were directly employed in aviation work, Frederick as an aviation technician and Erick as an air fitter. Peter is specializing in underwater weapons.

Able Seaman John McHugh, 21, was an electrician's mate on board the fleet repair ship HMCS Cape Breton. His hometown is Gleichen, Alberta, and his father is chief of the Blackfeet.

Able Seaman Wilfred Beaver, 26, is a member of the Tuscarora Band of the Six Nations. He is a medical assistant and was serving at HMCS Stadacona, RCN barracks at Halifax, before the totem party was formed.

As the Canadian ships arrived at Portsmouth, England, 15 Indians, in full regalia with war paint and tomahawks, dashed onto the jetty with a warwhoop and ran among the dock workers. From their reaction a few workers obviously had not expected the "raiding party", but the incident proved an excellent starting point. From this point on, each time Indians appeared, so did the dockyard workers—along with their cameras.

Members of the party such as Ordinary Seaman William Kinoshameg, 24, of Sudbury, Ont., Able Seaman Dennis Timothy, 19, of Chatham, Ont., and Able Seaman Jacques Fisher, 22, of Duck Lake, Sask., put on a real show for the residents. Occasionally they left the parade to mingle with the crowd.

"We tried to think of all the things we figured these people expected Indians to do," one member of the party said later, "then we just went ahead and did them."

During the presentation of the totem pole at the RN gunnery school, Indian dances and ceremonies, including a war dance and smoking of the peace pipe were held, and duly recorded by press and TV cameras.

SPEAKS TO GOVERNMENT



Women are speaking out more than they have ever done in Indian life. This is Mrs. Alfred Simpson who was appointed by the Province of Ontario to the Provincial Indian Advisory Committee. The committee advises the government on Indian affairs. Mrs. Simpson lives on the Alderville Reserve, 15 miles north of Cobourg and has served on many reserve committees. She was superintendent and is now secretary-treasurer of the United Church Sunday School. She is a member of the Northumberland Historical Society and charter president of the Alderville Homemakers Club. Her hobbies are collecting stamps and handkerchiefs and she has pen pals all over the world.

ARTISTS EXHIBIT WORKS



Under the direction of Brantford artist, actor and musician Frank Martin, the members of the Six Nations Art Group staged their third annual exhibition. It drew an attendance from many parts of southern Ontario. The group has been active this year encouraging younger members from elementary and high schools and has supplied most young artists with painting kits. Above, Mrs. J. C. Hill, president, left, and Mrs. Walter Hunter, secretary-treasurer, admire one of this year's show exhibits. Members of the group are: Mrs. Ethel Moses, Mrs. Claire Jamieson, Mrs. Florence Hill, Mrs. Mildred Hunter, Mrs. Edna Odendahl, Mrs. Olga Motton, Miss Ella Roulston, Mrs. Wilma Jamieson, Miss Kathleen Bomberry, Miss Amy Putnum, Miss Susan Frohman, R. W. Hill, Danny Jamieson, Gary Woodward, Michael Hill, Joe Greene, Miss Patricia Reid, Elwood Hill, Miss Flossie Sowden, Tom Hill, Miss Brenda Martin, Miss Ruth Garlow, Miss Cheryl Hill, Mrs. Florence Embry, Mrs. June McDougall, and Gene Reid.

REWARDS FOR WORK WELL DONE



Sixty-nine boys and girls of the Shingwauk Residential School received certificates and medallions for passing a 14-hour St. John Ambulance junior first-aid course and exam in Sault Ste. Marie, Ont. Two of the winners were Annie Blacksmith and Billy Atchynnia, shown receiving certificates from Area Commissioner George Featherstone. Annie is from Waswanipi, in the Abitibi Agency and Billy from Paint Hills in the James Bay Agency.