

RED LAKE NEWS

"A FOOL AND HIS MONEY ARE SOON PARTED."

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NOTES ON THE PAYMENT.

Preparations for the annual "land payment" to the Red Lake Indians are under way at this writing and it is expected that delivery of checks will be commenced by the 10th of next month. The per capita share will amount to about \$68.00, depending upon the census as of April 1, 1915. There will be approximately 1489 names on the roll this spring and the amount to be distributed is \$101,521.92—a nice juicy little melon.

The news offers the following advice to persons who will receive a share of this payment:

1. Pay up your subscription to the News, or, if not already a subscriber, become one at once.

2. Pay your honest debts of every description.

3. For those who have not already spent the amount they would or should have left after paying up their debts—Hesitate, Stop and Consider, Go Slow. Think of the satisfaction which a person gets from having a little money on hand for future demands. Think of the miserable and forlorn condition of the individual who is "dead broke," especially when such a deplorable condition is the result of careless extravagance and wastefulness. A dollar saved is a dollar earned. Look ahead a little.

4. For those pitiable individuals who can never appreciate the dignity of labor until under the compulsion of stern necessity, the sooner you spend your money the better it will be for you. But if your head is not turned by the ownership of a few dollars, if you appreciate the value of money to the extent that the possession of it is not an excuse for indolence, then save what you can for the future. There are some able bodied but weak minded young men in our midst who think of dollars only in terms of so many games of billiards, so many days of "rest" or so many "good times" ahead; instead of the good which can be realized through judicious investment in farming implements, livestock, etc., and the corresponding increase in their earning capacity for the future.

5. And last. As the majority of the annuitants to participate in this payment have been living beyond their income, depending upon the future, always, for today's requirements, it should not be a brain fagging task to figure out the proper way to dispose of this "windfall." There is only one honorable thing to do, take your money and pay your bills and be glad that you are able to cancel all or part of your indebtedness. Then go to work and Earn as much more and feel the satisfaction which can be derived in no other way in so great a measure as through the realization that you have procured the money by your own individual effort.

INDIAN COURT ITEMS.

Upon the complaint of Andrew Carl, James Brown and Jim Gurneau were arrested and caused to appear before the Indian Court March 22, on a charge of assault and battery. After hearing all the evidence in the case the Judges fined all three young

men for general disturbance. The facts seem to be that several young men gathered at Carl's house for a friendly moccasin game. Along towards morning when all honest men the supposed to be in bed Carl was caught cheating (he stated in Court that he told them he was just fooling, but they wouldn't believe him). The result was that Carl and Jim Brown "mixed it" out in the front yard, and Jim Gurneau had to take a hand in the affair to help Brown out.

They certainly were three nice looking litigants, but did not appear to the credit of themselves or to their school training. The "Lid is on" the moccasin game now. Those who wish to play a "friendly game" during reasonable hours are required to get permission from the Agent or Chief of Police.

"Experience is a dear school, but fools will learn in no other."

FARM STATION ITEMS.

The Farm Station Farmer's Club met at Frank Brun's on March 20th with nineteen members present. John J. Spears was a new member at the meeting. With work and pleasure and business a most profitable day was spent. The next meeting will be held at Joseph Omen's on April 7th.

On the 18th E. R. Lee, Louis Gurneau and Frank Brun assisted John Spears in raising a log house on his tentative allotment near the Farm Station.

John Spears and Family spent the day Sunday, March 14th, visiting at Joseph Omen's home.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brun were entertained by the Lee's at supper, the evening of Sunday, the 14th.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Gurneau made a trip to Red Lake the 12th, returning the 14th.

Sunday, the 21st, Mrs. Joseph Omen went to Clearwater on a visit to Frank Carl's little daughter, Josephine, who is very seriously ill.

A. C. Goddoard was here the 23rd and 24th looking over the gasoline engine that runs the well drill machine. The engine was taken to the Agency the 25th for a general overhauling.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Defoe were recent visitors at Frank Brun's.

Nathan J. Head stopped overnight here on the 24th on his return from Clearbrook and vicinity.

John Spears made a trip to Red Lake the 21st, returning the 23rd.

Frank Brun hauled in a load of potatoes from Ole Burge's the 23rd.

NOTICE.

The Indian Fair Association is in debt \$150.00. It is the desire of the Fair officers that this debt be paid as soon as possible. Last year several hundred dollars were contributed towards the liquidation of the fair debt, and this year it is hoped that the entire amount may be paid. Joe Boxer and Pay-she-gie-shig have been selected to look after the Fair collections. Any contribution from 25 cents to \$1.00 will be accepted. No one is asked to give more than \$1.00.

WARNING.

The introduction of intoxicating liquors into this reservation or its sale to non-citizen Indians is forbidden by law under a penalty of imprisonment for not less than sixty days. See Act of January 30, 1897 (29 State L., 506.)

EMPLOYEES PLEASE NOTICE.

Department of the Interior, Office of Indian Affairs, Washington, February 27, 1915.

Ed-Schools 20677-15 R H H—Circular No. 944. Conference of Indian Employees.

To all Superintendents and Field Officers:

A conference of Indian Service workers will be held at San Francisco, August 9 to 16, 1915, both inclusive. At Oakland, California, August 15 to 28, will be held the meetings of the National Education Association and the International Congress of Education. The meetings of these two organizations will be undoubtedly of special interest this year and of value and benefit to those who can attend.

It is desired that all school employees who can do so, and who can be spared from their posts of duty, may attend the conference of Indian Service workers and also the other meetings mentioned. Programmes of all meetings are being prepared so that forenoon sessions only will be held, giving those in attendance an opportunity to visit the exposition during the afternoons.

Those school employees so attending will be granted educational leave (not exceeding 15 days in any case) covering their absence from their posts, except that one-half day educational leave will be granted for each day in which employees are in attendance at the sessions of the Indian Conference or meetings of the other organizations; the other half day will be charged to annual leave. As only school employees are entitled to educational leave, other employees who desire to attend and who can be spared will be given a special detail covering the half-day periods of their attendance at the sessions of the conference of Indian Service workers only. If they remain for the sessions of the other two associations, or for other purposes, they must take annual leave.

Superintendents are instructed to report not later than May 1 the number and names of employees who signify their intention to so attend.

Applications should be submitted in duplicate on form 5-450-o for educational leave or special detail to this Office a sufficient time in advance to enable it to take action thereon. In cases, however, where it is not practicable to determine in advance the employees who can be spared, they may be authorized by the superintendent provided their applications are then submitted promptly by him. All absences on account of attendance at these gatherings will be reported on the monthly reports of leave taken, properly designating thereon "Educational Leave," "Special detail," or "Annual leave," as the case may be.

Very truly yours,
CATO SELLS,
Commissioner,