

INHERITANCE OF GRAZING PERMITS

The Tribal Council passed a resolution providing that Navajos holding permits for grazing livestock on tribal lands may make wills. This would enable persons named in the wills to receive the grazing permits after the death of the holders. The court of Indian Offenses must approve the wills.

In cases where no will has been made claim permits among survivors will be in the following order: (1) Surviving spouse, if not (2) Surviving children, if not (3) Surviving grandchildren, if not (4) Surviving parents, if not (5) Surviving brothers and sisters, if not (6) Surviving nieces and nephews, if not (7) Distribution to the people of the district grazing pool by the district supervisor. The resolution also provides that no will shall be approved or distribution made to any person not enrolled with the Navajo Tribe.

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Three members of Congress recently visited the Navajo and Hopi Reservations. These Congressmen indicated a real desire to help the Navajo people.

EARTH AND STARS GIVE US MUCH TO THINK ABOUT

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Before the first white man came to America only a few wise men believed that the earth was round. The other white people believed that the earth was flat. They thought too that the earth stood still and that the sun went over and around the earth.

We now know that the earth is round. It does not have a smooth surface. But it is like a huge and rough ball of rock and clay. Many travelers have sailed around the earth and come back to the same place. In this war, some Navajo soldiers sailed east from New York. Some other Navajo soldiers sailed west from California. They met each other on the other side because the earth is round.

It is twenty five thousand miles around the earth. If there were land all the way and a man walked twenty five miles a day, it would take him three years of steady walking to go round the earth.

On the surface of the earth there are great waters. To the west is the great water called the Pacific Ocean. A fast ship takes six days to cross this ocean. On the other side of the Pacific ocean are the lands called Australia, Japan, China, and Russia.

To the east of the United States is the great water called the Atlantic Ocean. A fast ship requires five days to cross this water. On the other side of the Atlantic Ocean are the lands called England, Germany, Italy, and many others.

Every day the earth spins. It keeps turning like a dizzy man. In the day time the earth spins us around so that we face the sun and we have light. In the night time, the earth spins us around so that we are away from the light and it is dark.