

Indian Powwow—just another family reunion



Two older ladies pause after dancing, possibly discussing changes they have seen during their lifetimes.



The gourd dance, performed here by a young lady, is a favorite of both young and old pow wow goers.



A young Indian boy tired of dancing and drums falls asleep in his mother's arms.

The idea of going to the 104th annual Winnebago Indian pow wow and photographing it for the Summer Nebraskan had sounded at first very much like a good idea.

It was then that I went in good faith to the pow wow on July 25 in a small clearing near Winnebago, Nebr.

Within the first few minutes I knew that my project as originally designed was a failure.

The festivity of the pow wow seemed to be the sort of thing that so many people would like to see, therefore allowing the truer problems of the American Indian Nation to go unobserved.

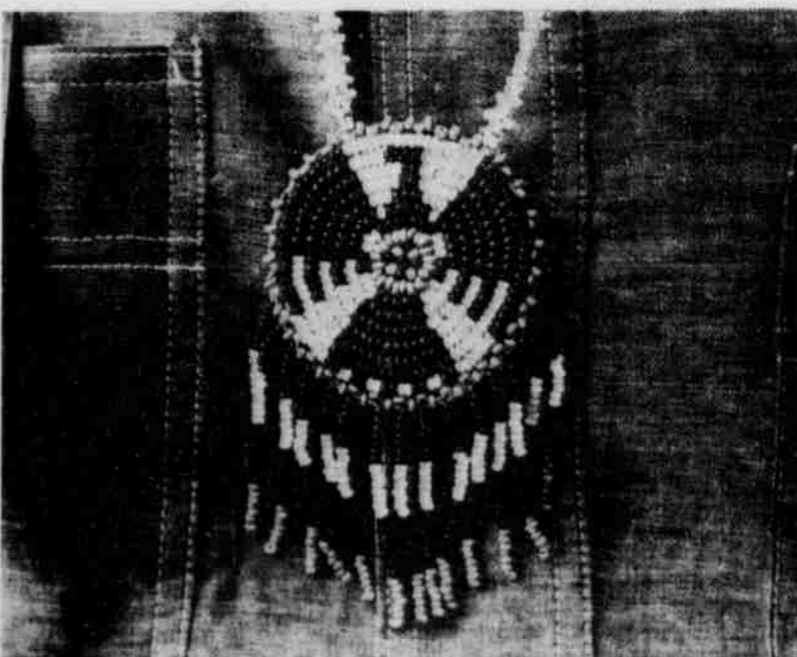
The staring faces of hungry Indian children and sub-standard housing also seemed to be a common theme for past photo stories.

There may be no dynamic flow of ideals or concepts in these photographs but rather hopefully they will seem as many photographs from your own family reunion might appear, making one realize that the Indian people are indeed human beings to be treated as such.

James L. Dean



Part of the closing ceremony was the lowering of the flag.



Visitors at the pow wow adorned themselves with Indian handicraft available at several concession booths behind the dance arena.



Braves both young and old enjoyed dancing to the traditional songs and rhythms.

Facilities for handicapped students are still 'inadequate'

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Miss Knipmeyer explained that staff members will visit a prospective student at his home "to see whether he would be able to work here at the University." Sometimes, she said, the student will be referred to a one-building college, such as at Chadron, for a period of one year. Depending on the results there, the student may then be admitted to the University.

According to Miss Knipmeyer, there has been no noticeable rise in the number of physically handicapped students applying for admission. The Vietnam war, she said, will probably not be felt for a few years, since many of the GI's are still undergoing extensive physical rehabilitation.

Of the veterans who have returned to the campus, Miss Knipmeyer said, "They're some of the finest guys to work with, and some of them have been pretty badly injured." She praised the field hospitals in Vietnam, which she said are saving a far higher proportion of battlefield cases than the hospitals of World War II.

Kenneth G. Allison agreed with Miss Knipmeyer about the University's rate of progress. Allison is district supervisor for the state's Division of Rehabilitation Services. "It would be nice to have the main campus of Nebraska open to the handicapped," he said. He felt that the design of the university is keeping immobile disabled students from applying.

According to Allison, many students

seeking the Service's help have been referred to colleges at Pershing, or Kearney, which have many ramps and elevators, or to Beatrice, which is built on one level.

Allison felt that a prime problem in constructing special facilities for the handicapped is the lack of funds. He expressed a wish that those who had been helped through the Service would "take notice of the needs of services and facilities for the disabled in the state." He stressed that through the rehabilitation program, a disabled person can become a fully able worker, no longer dependent on society.

Phi Upsilon Omicron, a women's honorary in the College of Home Economics, has just completed a survey in which university facilities and grounds were checked for accessibility to those in wheelchairs. The survey included 85 buildings on both the City and East Campuses.

The survey, a special project for the honorary, dealt with whether a handicapped person would be able to enter classroom buildings without help and how many of the buildings were completely usable by the handicapped.

The completed survey will be submitted to the administration in September, according to Miss Mary Dale McGregor, housing specialist with the University Extension Service.

Reasons for developing university facilities and grounds for handicapped persons "are economic as well as humanitarian," Miss McGregor said. "It's just good business."

Return from the 'Green Circus' Students don't stop questioning when they become soldiers

(Editor's note. Long-time students and faculty members may remember Frank Partsch as editor of the Daily NEBRASKAN in the fall of 1966 and creator of the column "Closet Case." Partsch has since graduated from NU, went on to receive his Master's Degree in journalism from Ohio State University, and spent two involuntary years in the Army, one in Korea, from which he just returned.

By Frank Partsch

A lotta sewage has sludged under the ol' bridge since 1966, when last these lines saw print, and it's perhaps only because of the sisterly forbearance of the present proprietress that they can insinuate their way onto the page now.

The topic is radicalization, and it will be noted that description reared its ugly head at one point during the aforementioned silent period. Although the Pentagon isn't likely to provide any figures on the increased radicalization of draftees, it is my suspicion that the inequities of the draft and the idiosyncracies of the service are producing radicals and activists from groups traditionally considered immune, that is, from the very guts of the silent majority.

As I perceive it, there are two groups of leaders in the Green Circus, the natural leaders and the institutional leaders. The latter are the lifers, and far too many of them are dull, uninspired individuals, impressed with their own status and bound to tradition

(and the need to retire with clean records).

Among the "lower" ranks, however a great deal of leadership is exerted by the natural leaders: college students, union chiefs, Panthers, streetfighters. The old assumption that the army "breaks" and "levels" its subjects into a single mind has always been inaccurate, but it has never been more false than today. The point is that when the natural leader has a proclivity to protest and dissent, those whom he influences will react in kind.

This is happening. I have no way of knowing how strong it is, but letters from associates in units all over the world would indicate that, in varying degrees, it is present everywhere, from the halls of the Pentagon itself to a small missile site in the mountains of Asia.

The press, especially the underground press, has documented many manifestations of this increased radicalism. These manifestations are good, and the institutional leaders have begun to take note. A few small improvements have been made (change never happens without pressure), and more are on the way.


More important, to my way of thinking, are the conscripts who are willing to do the little things for now (military jails are not by any stretch of the imagination preferable to civilian ones) and save their manifestations until they get out. These manifestations are good, too. They appear in Veterans for Peace groups and uncover My Lai's and things of that sort.

If my observations are correct, Mr.

and Mrs. Smith had better think twice about sending Johnny to the army to get him straight before he goes to the university. Johnny just might come back from the war with a few ideas and habits not considered socially acceptable in the halls of silence.

Proponents of the draft, too, might consider this. Perhaps they would be less anxious to punish all students for asking questions if they realized that they continue to ask questions while in uniform. And teach farmers and steelworkers and reservation Indians to ask questions too.

It might also be a worthy topic of discussion before they get too slaphappy about universal involuntary servitude.



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