

INDIAN JOHN...

East County's best-known Indian will be the subject of our program Monday, November 15, 7:30 p.m. in the Troutdale City Hall.

In addition to her recollections of Indian John, Isobel Zimmerman, granddaughter of Jacob Zimmerman who came here in 1851, will talk of Wilkes area pioneers. She will be joined by Winifred Anderson who has researched the story of John from family scrapbooks. Three photos of John obtained from the Oregon Historical Society will be displayed.

We have invited members of the newly formed Gresham Historical Society to join us.

FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION...

At last month's meeting President Sam Cox presented cost estimates for the addition of 20 feet to the east end of our museum building for the purpose of housing big items such as our antique fire equipment.

A concrete block addition, without including excavation and foundation, will cost \$2,170. We have about \$400 earmarked for construction, most of it in memorial funds given in the name of Dick Knarr. The question to put to the membership is whether we should begin construction at this time.

Treasurer Ted Schulte reported we have barely enough money to cover the cost of the estimate. However, our treasury would be left with insufficient funds to cover our normal operating costs. We would have to ask for building fund donations and plan on some additional fundraising activities.

The decision has been delayed a month to give our entire membership a chance to study the matter and be prepared to vote November 15. Please give it your serious consideration. If you can't be at our November meeting, we would welcome a letter or phone call expressing your opinion.

A REAL COVER-UP...

The nude mannequins in the museum have some clothes. The smaller one has been dressed as a school girl in a dress given by Allegra Bailey. The other is now gowned in underwear and an 1888 corset with bamboo stays, donated by Dorothy Klock.

It took six people to get the corset on the mannequin at the October meeting. Oddly enough, the men seemed to know more about how to do it than the women.

Mary Jane Paul, a resident of the area, has donated some old clothing including a long, black "every day" skirt--the type worn with a shirtwaist. Does anyone have a shirtwaist?

DEPOT DUE PAINT...

Women in Construction, headed by Troutdale resident Lynne Golliglee, have volunteered both paint and labor for the exterior of the Troutdale train depot. If weather permits they plan to start painting Saturday, Nov. 13, 9 a.m. and would welcome any help they can get.

Depot colors will be rustic red with off-white trim. The organization has also volunteered help with the electrical work.

The day isn't far off when we can begin setting up a railroad display in the station agent's office. We hope to recreate as closely as possible the original office as shown in a photo loaned by Marjorie Matches. The depot definitely needs a spittoon, a telegrapher's key and, if possible, the old levers for handswitching rails.

HISTORIAN HONORED...

Historian Sharon Nesbit was presented a handsome attache case by the Board of Directors at the last meeting. It bears an engraved plaque of appreciation.

Apparently the directors tired of seeing the historian struggle into the city hall in a high east wind trying to hold down a stack of papers.

IN MEMORY...

We extend our sympathy to Evelyn Lampert. Her husband, Julius Lampert, died several weeks ago.