

**Gerald J. Gray—**

# **New Board Member**

Gerald J. Gray, a Blackfeet educator and Superintendent of School District Number 87 in the State of Montana, has been named to a four-year term as Commissioner of the five-man Indian Arts and Crafts Board, Secretary of the Interior Rogers C. B. Morton announced recently.

Gray is a specialist and consultant in designing and producing bilingual-bicultural history, language and cultural materials, and has served many Indian tribal programs including those in Montana, Wisconsin, Colorado and North Dakota.

He held a Ford Foundation

leadership program fellowship from 1970 through 1972, and was principal for the Rocky Boy public elementary school, which has been recognized as a national showcase for conceptual Indian education. Gray, 32, is married and the father of three children.

The Indian Arts and Crafts Board's priority concerns are focused on the protection of Native American artists and craftsmen and the expansion of their cultural opportunities.

The Board provides professional advisory services and operates three museums located in Browning, Mont., Rapid City, S. D., and Anadarko, Okla., which functions as centers for exhibition, study and the sale of authentic contemporary Native American arts and crafts.

Other Commissioners on the Indian Arts and Crafts Board are Lloyd H. New, Chairman, and director of the Institute of American Indian Arts of Santa Fe, N.M.; Howard Rock, artist and editor of Tundra Times, the Alaskan Native weekly newspaper published in Fairbanks; Royal B. Hassick, of Franktown, Colo., author and anthropologist, specializing in Plains Indian culture and Western Americana; and William H. Crowe, Cherokee designer-craftsman of Cherokee, N. C.