moderator to prevail on the Pope not to participate in the Columbus anniversary celebrations, and would like to see money budgeted for such celebrations diverted toward the making of "accurate histories of the Americas."

The big story was the maturity of the meetings themselves and the great distance Native United Church people have moved from their first national consultations a decade ago, to a Conference with four Presbyteries in 1990. In a gesture toward the rest of the United Church, Bernice Saulteaux, from Saskatchewan, urged the members to keep some linkage with the non-Native Conferences from which their Presbyteries emerged "so that we can keep a sense of walking along with our non-Native Conferences."

But the mood was also definitely one of independence and having grown up. "We have always been treated like little children and told what to do," Lillian Miller from Ontario's Six Nations Reserve said. "This is wonderful, I'm so proud."

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