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THE OTHER
OIL CRISIS

NATIVE AMERICANS
RECLAIMING STORIES
AND CULTURE

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and the search for
ancient texts

*"If you are dealing with
antiquities, you must get
your hands dirty."*

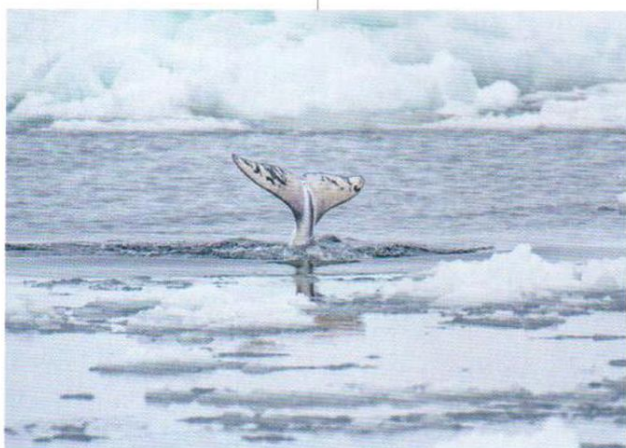
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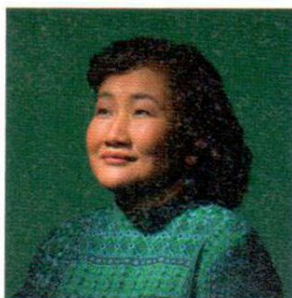
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