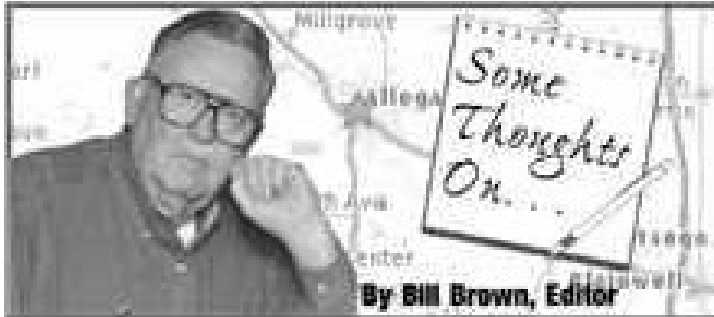


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It's all over but the shouting ... Sunday's GR Press ran a column by their business editor with a headline, "End game: Gun Lake tribe will win casino" ... The lead paragraph reads, "The Gun Lake casino is just over the horizon" and another paragraph reads, "By next spring construction should be under way on the \$200 million gaming house at the Bradley exit off US 131." ... This is as close to a concession as we're going to get from the GR folks who have spent a fortune trying to dash the hopes of the Gun Lake tribe in Wayland Township who are coming closer and closer to the day when construction can start on their casino near Bradley ... If delay was all their detractors wanted to buy with that fortune, I guess they got their money's worth, but it seems like such a waste ... I guess all those rich guys can use their contributions as tax deductions ... What a shame!

Making a mockery of playing politics ... This latest revelation involving the "23 is Enough" group trying to buy themselves some legislators who would agree to vote against the Gun Lake Casino ever becoming a reality would be laughable, if it wasn't a tragedy ... It turns out that at least seven of these lawmakers took the money and then signed on as co-sponsors to a resolution submitted in the state House to approve the compact between the tribe and the state negotiated by Gov. Granholm ... Good golly Molly, 23 is Enough was double-crossed ... I'm sure those legislators looked at the situation as it stands today and figured out all by themselves that the game is over ... The tribe wins and 23 is Enough loses ... They also realize Peter Secchia has abandoned 23 is Enough and so has the GR Press ... They don't want to be the last ones off a sinking ship.