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Wounded Knee Notes

Feb 27 1973 American Indian Movement (AIM) began a 71 day protest.

The group that initiated the protest was the Oglala Lakota.

The group wanted Dick Wilson tribal chairman to be impeached because

of charges of corruption and abuse.

During the protest the government tried different ways to make the Indians

quit their protest. One was to cut off the supply of food, another was to turn off the

electricity and running water.

There were several gun battles. Two law enforcement agents were killed. Two native

American Indian were killed. Several were injured.

May 8 1973 a settlement was reached. Dick Wilson was not removed from his position.