

EDITORIAL AND OPINION PAGE

"We cannot know where we are going if we do not know where we have been."



As I See It



Run out of paper coffee filters? Cut a paper towel to the right size.



by Bruce Barton

A. DAVID LESTER VISIT CANCELLED.... "A DEATH IN THE FAMILY...."

As press time neared we were notified that A. David Lester would not be coming to Pembroke today after all. We were informed late Wednesday afternoon that "there is a death in his family."

I am sorry this (unfortunate accident) has happened because I was interested in coming to North Carolina to let the Indian people there know I am working for them, and that I appreciate their hospitality and warmth."

ABOUT ED JOHNSON, A. DAVID LESTER'S VISIT AND INDIANS

Indians, like many ethnic groups, like to put their heads in the ideological hole in the hands. It is not, as I see it, in our best interest to do so.

Contrary to some of the vehement calls I have received I am proud to sponsor A. David Lester's visit to this area, along with Ed Johnson, the hard charging candidate for the 7th Congressional District seat in Congress.

A. David Lester is the Commissioner of Native American Programs, and has administrative responsibility for ANA grants to agencies like Lumbee Regional Development Association in Pembroke. We need his friendship especially in these difficult times.

When he visits LRDA sites today he will realize, more than ever, that LRDA provides good and necessary services to the Lumbee populace. It is good for him to come and see what LRDA is doing. I am proud of LRDA and am sure that Lester will see a good and positive social action agency in action.

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Caring for Kids

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Choosing Family Day Care The Caregiver

The adult with whom your child will spend most of his time in day care is the caregiver and her interactions with your child and with others in the home will affect your child's happiness, self-concept, and relationships with other people. Check out the following points in choosing a caregiver: Does the caregiver seem to like and respect children? Does she have the energy and patience to deal with children's needs on a full-time basis? Do children in the home seem to like her? Do they seem relaxed and happy?

Does the caregiver listen when children talk to her, and answer their questions patiently and respectfully? How does she handle problems with the children? Does she administer physical punishment? Do her expectations and discipline techniques vary with the age of the child? Does she set limits and offer guidance toward acceptable behavior? Does she accept individual differences and respect each child's need for independence?

What is her philosophy about infant crying? Does she allow babies to cry or does she respond attentively to their distress? Does she allow children to express unhappiness and anger, and offer support and help in dealing with these emotions? Does she have fun with the children? Does she have a sense of humor? Is the caregiver so neat and clean that the children cannot play freely in the home?

There are often other people in the home during the hours your child will be there--the caregiver's own children, spouse, other relatives, or perhaps a dependent elderly person. What kind of demands will these people make on the caregiver, or on your child? How do they feel about having day care children in the home? Are they people with whom your child will feel comfortable?

Finally, examine your relationship with the caregiver. Do you feel comfortable with her child-rearing philosophies? Are they compatible with your own? Will the caregiver take time to maintain relations with you, and not try to take your place in your child's life?

You may feel uncomfortable as you inspect the home and carefully question the caregiver, but this is probably less than what you will feel if you or your child later begins to feel uneasy about this arrangement. Besides, a good family day care provider appreciates the interest of a concerned parent.

As mentioned earlier, it is a good idea to visit more than one home. Once you have found the home in which you think your child will be happy and well-cared for, you will want to thoroughly acquaint yourself with the caregiver's policies: Is the fee to be paid in advance? Is the regular fee paid if the child is kept at home because of illness or other circumstances? Is there an extra charge for late pick-up? Will your child be allowed to come when sick? What happens if the caregiver is sick? Will service change in any way during the summer? What about vacations and holidays?

Provide the caregiver with phone numbers and addresses of your place of work, your relatives or friends that might be contacted in an emergency, the phone number of your doctor and the hospital you

REPORT FROM
U.S. Senator
JESSE ★★
HELMS

WASHINGTON—It has been interesting to watch the liberal news media's "journalistic standards" during and following my most recent efforts to restore voluntary prayer to our schools. There were numerous stories in various newspapers to the effect that I had "infuriated" my colleagues in the Senate, and that I have "lost my clout."

I don't know that I ever had any "clout"—but one thing is for sure: More than 60 Senators have written or called to express outrage at such news stories, and to express their appreciation for my having made the fight. Many have made public statements to this effect, including the Majority Leader of the Senate. But of course the "liberal" newspapers don't have space to spare for that kind of news.

POST—The Washington Post, probably the most ultra-liberal newspaper in the land, has been particularly vehement in its attacks on me, and that newspaper's stories have been gleefully picked up by papers in Raleigh, Greensboro and other North Carolina cities.

In one of its stories, The Washington Post quoted 14 "sources," using 13 of them to attack me. Eleven of the 14 sources were anonymous; the other three came from The Raleigh News and Observer, a lobbyist for Planned Parenthood, and the Executive Director of a right-to-life group. Dozens of Senators have expressed outrage about the obvious misstatements of fact in that one news story.

Later, the same Washington newspaper tried to promote a split between President Reagan and me on the school prayer/pro-life issues. The Washington Post, in a front page story, quoted a "senior White House official . . . who asked not to be identified" as being critical of me. Before 8 a.m. on the morning the paper's story was printed, every one of the "senior White House officials" sent word to me that The Washington Post had lied again.

And at noon that very day, I was at the White House with President Reagan when he publicly commended me for my efforts on behalf of both the school prayer and pro-life issues. It was interesting that The Washington Post did not mention that. Nor, to my knowledge have the North Carolina big-city daily newspapers which so delightfully published the original report from The Washington Post.

OBVIOUS—There are several aspects to all of this which appear to be obvious. The ultra-liberal newspapers and politicians work in concert to disparage anyone with whom they disagree. I just happen to be their prime target at the moment. They hope, of course, that they can intimidate other conservatives in the Senate, so that they will be nervous about taking up controversial issues that the "liberals" don't like.

As for "losing my clout"—I have never claimed to have any. I acknowledge that I am not popular with Senator Ted Kennedy and his kind. I never have been. I didn't come to Washington to win a popularity contest with politicians of that type.

I realize that it may appear self-serving for me to do what I'm about to do, and I do it merely to make a point. I am going to quote from a statement in the Senate by a fine young Senator from Iowa, Charles Grassley, on September 23 (Page S 12037 of the Congressional Record). Senator Grassley said, in part:

"Senator Helms has shown exemplary courage in sticking to his principles and fighting for two issues that are very important to many millions of Americans.

"His courage has earned him the distinction of being attacked by unnamed sources in numerous press accounts recently. He has been criticized as being ineffective in not having broken the filibuster against his amendments. While it is true that the cloture motions did not garner the necessary three-fifths vote, in the majority of the votes Senator Helms gathered the support of a majority of his colleagues.

"I cannot believe that anyone who knows the workings of Washington would call a Senator who repeatedly garners a majority of favorable votes on two emotional and controversial issues anything but effective.

"The Senator from North Carolina is one of the most effective Members of this body. If he were not effective, his enemies would not waste their breath on these anonymous attacks."

Question: Did you see even a mention of this in your newspaper?



The signal SOS does not stand for "Save Our Ship" or "Stop Other Signals." It is merely the most easily understood and the most easily transmittable signal—only coincidentally translatable as SOS.

Bucks Coaches Tap Jacobs

The coaching staff of Hoke High School has named David Jacobs as Male Athlete of the Week and Sharon McNeill as Female Athlete of the Week for the week of September 20-24.

Jacobs is a 6 foot, 150 pound member of the freshman football squad. David is offensive fullback and doubles as a linebacker on defense. David was nominated for his play in the 25-16 win over Hamlet last Thursday.

David scored two touchdowns for his team. One offensively on a 10 yard run and another defensively on a 31 yard run after recovery of a fumble. He rushed for 65 yards on offense. David also helped lead the stingy Buck defense making 7 tackles.

David was very active in sports at Upchurch the last two years.

He played both football and basketball in the seventh and eighth grades. He received the

David is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Roman Jacobs of Rt. 2, Raeford. Most Valuable Player award in football for his outstanding play his eighth grade year.

David's plans for the future are still very tentative, but he says he thinks he would like to attend Carolina and major in Physical Education with a view toward teaching and coaching.

These are some of the questions that need to be asked. Politics is the medium far and wide for fiscal responsibility. I believe that fiscal responsibility, and good use of federal dollars, comes from the work ethic implicit in the Lumbee experience. Lumbees respect work as a mode for spiritual development.

And Ed Johnson, contrary to ideological firebrands who think the Democratic Party is sacrosanct, is my friend. I disagree violently with him on some things and I agree fervently with him on others. He is like all my friends, subject to my disagreeing with him on any particular issue I choose. My friends always give me the right to be independent and capable of doing my own, admittedly, iconoclastic thinking.

Of course I can say the same thing for Charlie Rose, the incumbent Democratic congressman. As I see it, he has been a good and capable congressman. But, like all of us, he is subject to challenge. His record is not above examination. Johnson is doing a good service in holding him up to public examination. Indians ought to come out and hear Lester, talk to him firmly and honestly. He needs to be asked how he stands on non-federally recognized Indians. Does he give them their share of federal dollars ticketed for Indians? Is he fair in his dealing with Indians on the Eastern Seaboard? Does he still give credence to former President Nixon's mandate to provide services to Urban and non-federally recognized Indian tribes and groups?

And Johnson needs to be confronted on his feeling and commitments to Indians in this area. Is he anti-LRDA as some of his detractors say: Can a congressman be conservative and sensitive to the needs of Indians in his congressional district at the same time?

But, mostly, I will vote for who I want to, whether he be Democrat, Republican, Libertarian, Heretic, or scoundrel. Democracy should be guarded and exercised with care. It is a good thing to be an American, a First American, in the freest country in the world, in spite of the shortcomings that all of us know exist. Like Henry Berry Lowrie of old, I will vote for the candidate that I think will do the most good for the Indian populace and the district as a whole. I hope you will too.

Get the Picture

Still Pictures And Moving Days

Picking up and moving to another town, or even another house, can be a disrupting experience. In the space of a few days, your household gets taken apart, transported somewhere else, and put back together again. It's chaotic, all right, but an instant camera and a few packs of film can help you cut down on some of the worry.



Here's how:
• If you've been transferred and have scouted out your new home in a new town, be sure to photograph it thoroughly before you come to finish packing. A picture of the new house can do wonders to make the children feel better about leaving the old one.

• By photographing interiors of your new home, you can do a better job of planning for new drapes, furniture and accessories. Particularly if you're moving to a smaller community, it may make sense to shop for these items before you leave. Having instant pictures along when you shop will ensure a good match.

• Before the moving van arrives, photograph valuable and fragile pieces. They'll help prove that items were in good shape before they were shipped, in case damage occurs enroute. A camera with an auxiliary close-up lens, like Polaroid's Sun 650 camera, is ideal.

• The tedious job of reconnecting stereo speakers and other fixtures can be simplified if you take quick Polaroid pictures before they're disconnected.



*Re-Elect ALTON V. DUDLEY October 19, 1982

Performing Arts Center in Pembroke, NC.
• Gates Will Open for Registration at 5:30 pm.
• Mr. Dudley [District 6--all of Hoke County east of Hwy. 211] has been a most effective Director for the past [9] Nine Years. He is Vital to the Co-Op and all who are served by Lumbee River Electric Membership Co-operative. He is no coward when it comes to Taking a Stand on an Issue that will Benefit the Membership. Mr. Dudley believes that times are tough and we have come a long way. "With your support, together we will come through these hard times victoriously."