

EDITORIAL AND OPINION PAGE



**We Cannot Know Where We Are Going
If We Don't Know Where We've Been.**

**So fittingly we honor our
Pioneer Fathers**

**AS I
SEE IT**



by
**Bruce
Barton**

**HENRY BERRY LOWRIE'S
HOMEPLEACE
RESTORATION A GOOD
IDEA**

According to a news article in the Community News-Advertiser, Henry Berry Lowrie's homeplace has been bought by local businessmen Frankie Locklear and Jimmy Locklear, and moved to the property of Frankie's Steakhouse on Union Chapel Road near Pembroke from its original location in the Hopewell Community.

According to the news article the Locklears plan to restore the house and open it up for viewing for no charge. It sounds like a great idea. And I wish them well in the civic minded project.

But, as the spirit of Henry Berry Lowrie implies, I wish I had been enterprising enough to have had the story break in

The Carolina Indian Voice. The newspaper business is a competitive one, and I hate to get scooped. You can't win them all...**BUT I DO TRY!**

The men hope to have the house restored by next summer's Lumbee Homecoming. I am glad the building is in the hands of Indian people who respect the memory of Henry Berry Lowrie and want to perpetuate it. I say "Good Luck," and let me help publicize it in the future **FIRST!**

**LEON LOCKLEAR,
AN ORIGINAL MAN!**
I visited the Tuscarora Indian Pow Wow and Bluegrass Festival this weekend and had a wonderful time. The festival was held on a site which is the creation and realization of a dream of Leon Locklear, truly an Original Man. The site, suitable for bluegrass festivals, and other



Shown in front, left to right, are Leon Locklear, Josh Graves and Bob Brewington, chairman of the county Republican Party and a member of NACIE [National Advisory Council of Indian Education]. The program booklet honored Brewington with special thanks for supporting the effort of the pow wow and bluegrass festival and Indians in general. In the background (on stage) are the Bass Mountain Boys, a wonderful and entertaining blue grass group.



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**Reader supports
Rev. Elias Rogers,
Other Incumbents,
in LREMC Elections**

To the Editor:

I attended a meet the candidates meeting on 10-2-84 in Red Springs, NC. Other than the incumbent board members who are seeking reelection, there were two gentlemen seeking a seat on the board of directors. One of these gentlemen is Mr. Grady Locklear, Principal of Piney Grove School in the Saddlecreek area. Mr. Locklear if elected would seek to hold an election in each of the nine districts that encompass LREMC and would allow the entire membership to elect the at-large directors. This is not only a situation of double standards or double voting, but it would be nine times the cost of the present annual election. Mr. Locklear would allow the Robeson County Board of Elections to monitor these nine districts as the vote is cast. Where was Mr. Locklear when just five months ago there was such a furor in Robeson County about the way the board of elections handled the voting in the various precincts. Mr. Locklear would equalize the board of directors racially and almost in the same breath said he was opposing Elias Rogers, incumbent director at large, a fellow Indian. Mr. Locklear admitted he knew nothing about the duties of a director, but is not satisfied

with a fellow Indian director who set a precedent in Robeson County when he was elected to the board of directors 17 years ago. Mr. Elias Rogers is a credit to the Indian people and deserves to continue serving the membership with dignity, respect and savings. In my opinion, Mr. Locklear was hand picked by the Action Group that tried to unseat all of the board of directors in 1983. Mr. Locklear has a master's degree in education, but does not recognize the fact he is being used, as I see it. If Mr. Locklear was as concerned about continued top notch service for the membership as he should be, he would give Elias Rogers, his fellow Indian, full support. A person can never get out of the woods if he or she only travels the roads that lead into the woods. I am happy that I do not need an adopted immigrant to do my thinking. Mr. Locklear is playing into the hands of the persons who were content with conditions as existed at LREMC from 1974-1982, which was irresponsible management, in my opinion. Let us as a membership destroy this action by re-electing the incumbent directors on October 16, 1984.
**John L. Godwin
Pembroke, NC**

**Political, Medical and
Educational Tips**

Dear Editor, Greetings!

I have a few items to discuss. They are Political, Medical, and Educational. Firstly, October 8th is the last day to register to vote for Governor, Senator, and President. Find the Registrar in your community and register! If for health or employment reasons you are unable to get to the polls, you may request to vote in absenteeism (by Mail).

Secondly, I am appalled or amazed by the number of people who "Doctor Shop." It is not only expensive but a hazard to good health. Physicians, like Grocers, offer an array of products which are usable. But, unlike foods, in general, drugs may cause moderate to severe reactions. **EXAMPLE:** A patient taking Coumadin, potent blood thinner, should avoid or at least discuss the matter of taking medicines for gout, arthritis, infections, stomach, seizures, leg cramps, heart problems, thyroid, colds, hormones, fungal medicines, Vitamin C and Aspirin. Taking the above medicines without close supervision could be **LIFE THREATENING.** Find a good Medical Provider and stick to them until a problem develops and then a good provider will refer to a specialist.

With the approaching cold weather, dress properly, avoid washing hair in the morning. If you do, blow dry 1/2 hour before leaving, wear scarf or cap, as the head is

about 10-15% of the total body area (age dependent). Cool air entering ears, nose and with wet hair causes sinus problems, head colds and ear infections. Use Zinc and Vitamin C. For colds, Adult 250 mg., for children 125 mg. of Vitamin C daily. The use of Vitamin C (highest in Ground Red Pepper, Cayenne Brand) and Zinc Adult dose 30 mg.-50 mg. daily, Children 15-30 mg. daily. Adults may use up to 1,000 mg. of Vitamin C daily, during acute cold or flu. Children may use up to 250 mg. daily.

Do not use Vitamin C if taking Coumadin, Zinc 30 mg. daily is safe.

Lastly, does your school have a Nurse? If not, ask Principal why not. The duties of a school nurse is to monitor eye, teeth, skin and hair problems, also acute sickness (vomiting and fever).

If a life-threatening accident occurred, head injury, a nurse would be needed to check pupils, call ambulance, clinic, parent, and support breathing as needed. Students need a non-teaching staff member to "air problems, abuse and/or illness. If you have any questions about Health Care, Over the Counter (OTC) medicines, First Aid Kits, Diet Advice, How to get a school nurse, if your school does not provide one, you may call 521-0209.

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**Reader Supports
Rev. Elias Rogers**

To the Editor:

I am writing this letter in support of Rev. Elias Rogers who is one of the candidates for the LREMC Board of Directors. I talked with Rev. Rogers after he had been placed on the EMC Board of Directors and he really opened my eyes to what the EMC needed to help it be more conservative in giving better services to its customers at a reasonable cost.

Rev. Rogers being alone with no one at the time to help get his ideas over to the rest of the directors, God's people were praying for someone to help them. God sent forth Rev. Elias Rogers as He did Moses when God's people prayed for help. Rev. Rogers had to do as we are taught in God's word: "They that wait upon the Lord, he will renew their strength" and always give directions to help them. We need Rev. Elias Rogers to help in doing this job of

keeping our EMC the best in the nation for it is helping its customers. I urge everyone to vote for Rev. Elias Rogers to continue serving us with dignity and pride as a member of the EMC Board of Directors.
Rev. Sanford Locklear

DID YOU KNOW?

Foam is right at home in a variety of unusual uses.
• One Virginia farmer places a foam cup at the end of each ear of corn to drive away the birds. He explains that foam cups insulate, but don't generate heat. Available in the right size to cover ears of corn, and sturdy enough to withstand the elements, foam cups might just put the scarecrows out of work.

"A poet can survive anything but a misprint."
Oscar Wilde

**RANTING &
RAVING with Darryl Barton**

Remember folk: These views are mine. They are not necessarily anyone else's. Heck! They ain't even necessarily views! Just my rantings and ravings...I guess!

**HARD TIMES; THEY ARE
UPON US FOLK!**

Those fat and sassy, bungling Washington bureaucrats might as well stop all this harping about the recession receding. The only thing I've noticed receding around my house is my hairline. I don't imagine they, with their fat salaries, have noticed that hard times, they are upon us. But, your average yokel like you and I know. A little incident recently reminded me anew that hard times, they are upon us!

I went by one of these local convenient stores in Pembroke that seem to be popping up everywhere here of late. To my total dismay, I noticed a yellow-looking gizmo located at the end of the store. It had instructions plastered on the side of the wierd-looking contraption. The instructions told me to put a quarter in. Being the easily-influenced fella I am, I done as I was told. I told myself: "Heck, self! Maybe this is the latest fad--an outside juke box to entertain the folk who are on their

way inside the store to do business with them. Don't snicker, folk. It makes a plenty of sense to me. It's a documented fact that music relaxes folk. I know for certain that if I owned a store I would want my customers as relaxed as possible when they started digging into their pocket books.

Not being overly bright, I started looking for the listing showing you the selection of songs you choose from. I saw the word "AIR" in big letters. I told myself: "Heck, self! I've heard of Earth, Wind and Fire" (a popular musical group) but I ain't never heard of a group calling themselves Air."

As soon as I poked my quarter through the slit in the gizmo, I was startled out of my reverie by a hissing sound, much like the sound a cobra snake makes right before it strikes. The second thing that popped into my mind (fear was the first) was the song, "I Don't Like Spiders and Snakes." Then, at long last, it dawned on me; some dadblame-body was charging for air!

Now, you tell me. What in the danged blazes is this world a'comin' to? A quarter for air? It might affect most folks otherwise, but to me, when folk start charging for air, it's definitely a sign that bad times, they are amongst us!

Now, folk. That covers pretty much everything now, I guess. Man has finally figured out how to put a price tag on everything--from water to air. Is nothing sacred anymore? Heck! Is nothing free anymore?

Well, seeing-as-how I had my heart set on hearing a song on that air-peddling contraption I thought was an outside juke box, I done the next best thing. I started serenading myself, to myself, with a song that's out on the charts now. It goes something like this... (Sing along if you want): "Every move I make. Every breath I take... Someone's watching you..." Indeed! The realization that folk were charging for air so devastated me that I gulped in a great big breath of air a'trying to clear the cobwebs out of my head. It was then that I got this strange feeling like you get when you know somebody's watching you. Well expecting Rod Sterling to step from the shadows and tell me I was in the "Twilight Zone," I took a quick gander at the air-peddling gizmo. Sure enough! It looked like the strange-looking contraption was a' staring at me, a'daring me to leave without paying for that great big, greedy gulp of air I just inhaled.

Well, I ain't easily intimidated, especially by something as low-life as an air-peddling gizmo. But I felt guilty and put another quarter in anyhow, just to keep trouble down, you understand. Afterall, if ol' Rod didn't walk from the shadows, it wouldn't have surprised me to see Allan Funt pop from around the corner and tell me to "Smile! You're on Candid Camera!" But I didn't see either of the ol' boys. And I ain't put no more quarters in that 'air-sucking dog' either. And don't intend to, nor do I encourage anybody else to either. Unless, of course, you pass by me and see me lying motionless, my lips already turned blue, and me not a'breathing. Then, by all means, forget about the principle involved. Feel free to poke your hand in my pocket, grab a quarter and poke it in the air-peddling gizmo, and then poke the air hose up my air-starved nose. Danged a bunch of principles.

Hey! Maybe that ol' air-peddling gizmo ain't such a bad idea afterall. We'll talk later, folk.

• Fast food restaurants around the country are switching from paper to polystyrene foam containers as they keep hot things hot and cold things cold longer, according to the Society of the Plastics Industry. In addition, this energy saving material doesn't get soggy or lose its shape. It's considered a good choice to hold the beverage of your choice.

**Indians
for
Reagan,
Helms**

**Miss
Lumbee
Reports...**

To the Editor:

In the past years, we as Indian people have voted for Democrats not as a matter of conviction but as a matter of "tradition." At one time, the Democratic Party looked out for our interests in Washington. Now times have changed! We have been cast aside in favor of certain interest groups and individuals. These interest groups and individuals profit and profit big at our expense. We as one people no longer have a stake in the Democratic Party. Jim Hunt and his party will promise us all and as usual will deliver nothing expect to his chosen few.

The Democrats think that we will pass over their liberal policies and again blindly support them. The time has come for us to make our vote worth more than a mere five or ten dollars on election day. For if we follow tradition again and ignore the liberal policies of the Democrats, it will result in a tax increase of at least \$2,150 for each of our families. That gives you a net loss of \$2,140. That is what it will cost you if you vote for Mondale and Hunt on November 6. Is \$10 on election day really worth that much?

Walter Mondale and Jim Hunt both believe in more taxes and big government. That's why you can count on a \$2150 tax increase. While Mondale and Hunt pad the pockets of the Washington liberals, your pocket will become more empty.

Lets examine the facts and face a few tough questions. During the administration that Mondale shared, **Interest Rates were 21%; Inflation was staggering 18%; and Unemployment was at 8%. CAN YOU AFFORD FOUR YEARS OF WALTER MONDALE AND JIM HUNT?** **FACT:** Ronald Reagan and Jesse Helms have reduced inflation to its lowest level in years. Their economic policies have interest rates headed in the right direction, down not back to 21%. There are also more people working in this country than ever before. That is the Reagan-Helms economic plan at work. And Ronald Reagan needs Senator Jesse Helms to help him finish the job.

In contrast, Jim Hunt can not work with Ronald Reagan. Jim Hunt will not work to bring voluntary prayer to our schools. He will oppose the Reagan Economic Recovery, and he will support the tax increases of the liberals in Washington. He offers us nothing as Indian people. We are a proud people, and he will not be taken for granted by Jim Hunt or anyone else. Jim Hunt's place has always been on the fence, and if he's pushed, he won't fall on our side.

It is obvious that there is a place for us in the Republican Party with Ronald Reagan and Jesse Helms. These men know and respect our heritage and they will work with us not against us. It is time to show the Hunt Machine that we as a people will not be turned aside and taken for granted. We will stand up for America with President Reagan and Senator Helms and be counted.

Sincerely,
James B. Harris, Jr.
(A True American for Helms)
Pembroke, NC

To the Editor:

This week will mark three months of my being crowned your "Miss Lumbee." To say the least, it has been the happiest months of my life. For years I dreamed of holding the title and on July 6 of this year, after years of prayers, one of my goals was accomplished.

With no regret I can say it is everything I anticipated it to be and much more. I wanted to let you, the public know what it has been like, where I hope to go with the title, and what it has done for me as an individual. It has meant traveling extensively across this state which has made me more knowledgeable about other towns and the people who live there. Everyone I have met has greeted me with open arms, love and respect for the Lumbee name. It is only that you know that from the mountains of North Carolina to its beaches everyone associated with the pageant system, and even some who are not, have said that they admire, respect and promote the Lumbee Indians.

This community is well known for all that it has accomplished over the years. Besides the fact that we have one of the best preliminaries in the state, we also have a fantastic college, Lumbee Regional Development Association, and Strike at the Wind, to name a few. People have taken notice and reply to our accomplishments with estatic joy.

I have people approach me constantly stating they wish to come here and join in the celebration of all the things that have been done. It is my task to carry on a name that should never be tarnished or belittled. It is with this in mind that I continue to walk proud daily. I have become more socially adjusted, well rounded, and more now than ever I have a good sense of who I am and where I am going. I owe to you a special "thank you" for giving me a chance to grow and to appreciate the Lumbee name. I daily think of what I can do to become better at all I attempt.

The Miss North Carolina pageant is now only eight months and three weeks away. One of my most prominent goals is to go there and make the top ten. With a little luck and a lot of hard work I can bring back home to you the title of Miss North Carolina. My work has underway and I still have far to go, but with God's blessings and your continued love and support, I can go there and do just fine. I want to let Florence Ransom, my business manager, chaperone, and second mom know that I love her more and more daily and appreciate all that she does for me. To LRDA, thank you for making this all possible and for backing me one hundred percent. Daddy, Mama, Tony, Windy, Hawhna, Michael, and the rest of my family, you know I love you all so very, very much. I'm glad that God placed me in a family as special as ours. Last, but not least, to you the Lumbee people, I extend heart felt thanks for helping me to become a better individual. I love you all.

**Lee Pam Oxendine
Miss Lumbee 1984**