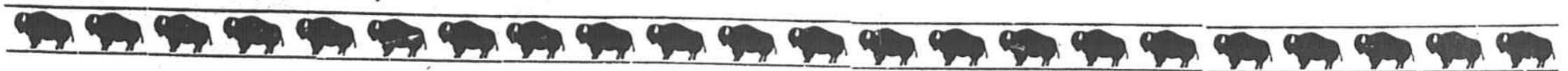


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TWENTY-FIVE CENTS

Democrats continue winning tradition in Robeson County

Senator David Weinstein easily overcame a challenge by John Rim to continue representing the 30th district. The 30th District is comprised of Robeson and parts of Bladen, Cumberland, Hoke and Sampson counties. Weinstein received 20,024 votes while Rim lost re-rounding with 4,523.

Rep. Ron Sutton was returned to the North Carolina General Assembly having no opposition as was Commissioner Noah Woods. Incumbent Commissioners Bill Herndon and Berlester Campbell overcame challenges by Republicans. In District 2, Campbell defeated Landa Gaddy with 2,473 votes to Gaddy's 448. Herndon, representing District 8, easily defeated Terry McNair. Herndon received 1701 votes to 551

for McNair. Commissioner Gary Powers was re-elected with no opposition.

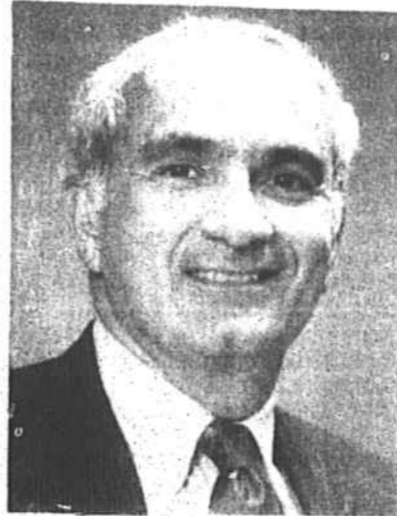
Congressman Mike McIntyre, representing District 7, won with over 90 percent of the vote. Paul Meadows received 11,755 votes, the Libertarian candidate. There was no Republican challenge in the Congressional Race.

Sen. Lauch Faircloth was defeated for the U.S. Senate seat by John Edwards, Democrat.

In nearby Hoke County, the voters elected the first Black sheriff in the history of the county. Bill David narrowly overcame an effort by Wayne Gardner who had been placed on the ballot by petition as an unaffiliated candidate.



Rep. Ron Sutton



Sen. David Weinstein

PSRC's PASTOR'S BREAKFAST

All pastors of churches in Robeson County are reminded of the Pastor's Breakfast sponsored by the Public Schools of Robeson County taking place Saturday morning, November 7th, at 7:30 AM at the Lumberton Junior High cafeteria on Merion Road. Whether or not they received an invitation which might have been returned because of an incorrect address, pastors are encouraged to call 738-4841, Ext. 320 or Ext. 288 immediately to confirm their intention to attend this important meeting about education.

UNCP to host open house

Pembroke-- The Admissions Office of The University of North Carolina at Pembroke (UNCP) will host an open house for high school seniors on Friday, Nov. 6 from 8:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. Registration begins at 8:30 in the Givens Performing Arts Center on campus. For more information, call the Admissions Office at 910-521-6262 or 1-800-949-UNCP.



UNITED METHODIST WOMEN OF PEMBROKE FIRST CHURCH will sponsor the CHRISTMAS BAZZAR November 20th and 21st, 1998 Friday, 20, from 5-8pm Saturday 21, from 8 am till 1pm. Crafts, wreaths, bake goods, preserves, jellies, relishes, etc. "Come Join the Fun" HOT DOGS FOR SALE

5th Annual Native American Festival to be held November 7

This 5th Annual Native American Festival is held in honor of Indian Heritage Month in North Carolina as declared by Governor James B. Hunt each November. This festival is co-sponsored by the Guilford Native American Association and the Greensboro Parks and Recreation Department's City Art's Cultural Outreach program. The festival will be held on Saturday, November 7, 10:00am-3:00pm at the Greensboro Cultural Center, Greensboro, N.C.

Activities will include performances by Native American Dancers from across the state and the Piedmont area. The Aztec Dancers will present from Mexico City, Mexico performing the "Snake of Fire" dance that is sure to captivate children. Jonathan Dane Feather, Cherokee Hoop Dancer will be performing. Ray Littleturtle will serve as Master of Ceremonies. There will be an area for children to participate in Native American games and storytelling.

Children and adults will be given a hands-on opportunity to make traditional arts and crafts. Native American fry bread will be sold. Additionally, there will be other artists there selling and demonstrating their work. The admission is free and open to the public.

The activities will be taking place ongoing throughout the course of the day to celebrate Indian Heritage Month. In the event of rain or inclement weather the festival will still take place inside the Greensboro Cultural Center.

For more information please call 336-273-6605.

Veterans Day Parade and Ceremony Planned in Pembroke

The Veterans Day Parade will be held in Pembroke on November 11 at 10 a.m. Following the parade, a ceremony will be held in the town park honoring all veterans. Furnie Lambert will be the guest speaker.

MGySgt Furnie Lambert was born in 1941 at Maxton, N.C. and in September 1961 joined the United States Marine Corps at Raleigh. He was sent to Boot Camp at Parris Island, S.C. and graduated in December 1961. After Boot Camp he joined 2d Recon Bn, 2d MarDiv. In July 1963 PFC Lambert was assigned to Marine Barracks, Cecil Field, Florida. July 1965 L/Cpl Lambert was reassigned to 3/5, 1st MarDiv and that September was reassigned to the 3d MarDiv. In November 1965 the battalion went to South Vietnam. On 24 December, L/Cpl Lambert was assigned to 1/4 as a machine gun team leader. He participated in several operations-- Harvest Moon, Oregon, Golden Fleece I & II, Pararie and Pararie II and on March 1966 was promoted to Cpl and then promoted to Sgt on September 1966. In October 1966 Sgt Lambert was reassigned to 3/6, 24 MarDiv. In September 1969 he made a second visit to South Vietnam, this time as a platoon leader with the 4th CAG and was promoted to SSgt in April of 1970. SSgt Lambert was reassigned in December 1970 to FMF PAC, Camp Smith, Hawaii, as an instructor. In December 1973 he was promoted to GySgt and was off to the recruiting station, Raleigh, N.C. where

he was named "Recruiter of the Year" for 1976. In August 1978 he was reassigned to Quantico, VA, as Audiovisual Support Chief for the command and Staff College and promoted to MSgt in March 1979. June 1981 MSgt Lambert was transferred to MCAS, Kancobe, Hawaii. He returned to Quantico, VA, in 1984 to work as an Audiovisual Management Specialist and Augmented IG Team on numerous occasions. In 1985 MSgt Lambert returned to 3d MarDiv as Div. Photo Chief. He was promoted to MGySgt in June 1986 and assigned MCB, Camp LeJeune, N.C. in September 1986.

MGySgt Lambert's personal decorations include the Good Conduct with 8 stars, Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry with Bronze Star, Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry with Palm, the combat Action Ribbon, Armed Forces Expeditionary Sea Service Deployment Ribbon, Vietnam Service Ribbon, Vietnam Campaign with 5 stars and Navy Unit Commendation. He is married to the former Elaine Bryant of Maxton, N.C. and they have a fifteen year old son Eric Gianni. They reside at Route 2, Box 73, Maxton, N.C.

Following the ceremony the annual plate sale will be held at the Pembroke VFW Post 2843 on the Union Chapel Road, Pembroke. The public is invited to attend all these activities in honor of the Veterans



Mrs. Girt T. Canady Blanks celebrated her 87th Sat., Oct. 31, at Ten Mile Center Baptist Church. The event was hosted by her family. Mrs. Blanks was born in Lumberton in Robeson Co., Oct. 18, 1911. She was married to the late Mr. Prentis Blanks. Mrs. Blanks is the proud mother of two living children: Mrs. Jane Barnhill and Mrs. Sharon Henderson, both of St. Pauls; five grandchildren, and two great grandchildren. The honoree was honored with a beautiful birthday cake and delicious dinner. The invocation was given by Mrs. Louis Revels, who volunteered to serve the food to all of the guests. Approximately 60 guests were in attendance. Photo and text by Sgt. Wm. P. Revels.

Rep. Ron Sutton supports spending for education, Smart Start

Raleigh-- Rep. Ron Sutton of Pembroke voted for a \$12.5 billion budget bill Tuesday, October 27, and again on Wednesday, October 28, as the General Assembly moved toward adjournment. The spending plan included \$42.5 million to expand Smart Start to all 100 counties and \$17.3 million to begin paying for an overhaul of the juvenile justice system. Other key items were money to continue the Excellent Schools Act, the state's plan to bring all teachers to the national average by 2000, and \$98 million for bonuses next year under the ABC's accountability program.

Repeal of the state sales tax on food and the inheritance tax also were included in the budget bill.

Lawmakers earlier approved stop-gap spending bills to give teachers and state employees pay raises and secure federal funds.

"The budget bill shows that good things come to those who wait," said Rep. Sutton. "I am glad that the final version of the budget has adequate funds to provide Smart Start for all 100 counties and to begin improving the juvenile justice system."

"Having served with the group revising the juvenile law this has been one of my main objectives this term," said Rep. Sutton.

The state's fiscal year began July 1. Final passage of the budget was delayed when negotiators from the House and Senate bogged down over taxes and welfare reform.

Elimination of the state food tax will save \$2 for every \$100 spent at the grocery store, beginning May 1, 1999. Lawmakers had cut the tax in half in previous sessions.

A local - option 2 percent sales

tax will remain on food

Tax reductions approved over the last few years will total \$1.5 billion when fully implemented in the year 2001.

The Robeson, Scotland and Hoke House delegation was successful in keeping the \$500,000 for the Southeastern Farmers Market and Agricultural Center and the \$700,000 for UNC Pembroke's proposed Economic Development Center in the final draft. Those funds were put in the Senate Budget and kept in the final budget by the House. Senator David Weinstein is to be commended for persuading the senate to include them in its original budget.

The longest two-year General Assembly session is finally over. It was a highly political session and demonstrates the disadvantage of having one chamber controlled by the Democrats and the other controlled Republicans. This is especially critical when the Republican leadership had only a 61-59 controlling margin and had to spend an inordinate amount of time keeping their own people "between the traces" so they could control the votes on the floor. In fact, at times it appeared that small factions were actually in the driver's seat.

In any case, the longest session is over now and we can begin to prepare for the long session to begin in about three months.

Annual plate sale

Prospect United Methodist Church will sponsor their annual plate sale on Friday, November 6 from 10:30 a.m. until 6:30 p.m. at the church. Chicken and barbecue plates will be sold. Proceeds will go for needy projects in the Prospect Community by the United Methodist Men.

Manufacturing Company to bring 125 jobs to county

Rempac Foam Corporation, a New Jersey based manufacturer of plastic foam products recently announced its expansion to Lumberton, NC. Family owned and operated, Rempac has been in business since 1962. "The need to serve expanding markets with new products and increased capacity has brought us to North Carolina," commented Alan Bushell, President. "We intend to be both a good neighbor and a good employer," he added.

Rempac has taken over the former Sara Lee Knit Products site on Sarlite Drive and is in the process of renovating the facility. An expansion to the existing building is also in the plans. Rempac expects to employ approximately 125 people on three shifts when the operation is in full production in about a year. Until then, Rempac will be slowing ramp-

ing up to that level. Rempac manufacturers cushion protective packaging, gasketing, and paint applicators, sponges, coated products and numerous other plastic foam products. Rempac also manufactures under the names Tek Pak Foam Corporation and Mercury Foam of NJ.

Gregory Cummings, Economic Developer for the county, said: "We are happy to have this company coming to our county. We have been working on this project for approximately 14 months. The added bonus of 125 jobs is a boost to our economy and our employment base. The location of this facility in Lumberton was a joint effort by the NC Department of Commerce, NC Southeastern Committee, the Robeson County Committee of 100 and the City of Lumberton. It was a joint effort that paid off the the advantage of all the citizens of the county."

NC Commission of Indian Affairs Swears in New Members, Takes Action on Indian Issues at Quarterly Meeting

Raleigh-- The N.C. Commission of Indian Affairs met Sept. 11 for its quarterly meeting at the N.C. Museum of History. During the meeting, new members were sworn in and action was taken on an number of matters of special interest to Native American citizens in North Carolina.

The Commission, housed in the N.C. Department of Administration, was created in 1971. It serves the state's 80,000 Indians, the largest Indian population of any state east of the Mississippi River and the seventh largest Indian population in the nation.

A swearing-in ceremony was held to seat members who were elected by state-recognized Indian tribes and organizations to serve on the commission. N.C. Commissioner of Labor Harry Payne officiated at the ceremony.

Five members receiving the oath of office were Jackie Brewington of Dun,, representing the Coharie Indian Tribe of Harnett and Sampson counties; John Hedgepeth of Hollister, representing the Haliwa-Saponi Indian Tribe of Halifax and Warren counties; Larry Townsend

of Pembroke, representing the Lumbee Tribe of Robeson, Scotland, Hoke and Bladen Counties; James Hunt of Fayetteville, representing the Cumberland County Association for Indian People; and Elton Ray Jacobs of Bolton, representing the Waccamaw-Siouan Indian Tribe of Columbus and Bladen counties. A sixth member, Kenneth Locklear of Greensboro, representing the Guilford Native American Association, was not present and will be sworn in at a later date.

Mr. Brewington currently employed the N.C. Indian Housing Authority, is a former staff member of the N.C. Commission of Indian Affairs. He is a board member of the Coharie Intra-Tribal Council and is chairman of the Harnett County Indian Association. Mr. Brewington has been actively involved in Indian affairs since 1975 and attended elementary school at East Carolina Indian School in Sampson County.

The Commission took action to request that the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians select a nominee who will be appointed to the N.C. Indian Cultural Center by the Com-

mission. The legislation governing this process dictates that the Commission appoint a representative from the Eastern Band of Cherokee if the tribe does not select a nominee. The Commission also voted to send a letter expressing its support for the work of the center's board of directors and its efforts to develop a multi-million dollar Indian Cultural Center in North Carolina.

The Commission voted to add two more seats to the N.C. Indian Housing Authority, if legislation proposed by Representative Ronnie Sutton is adopted by the General Assembly. One seat is designated for the Meherrin Indian Tribe and one additional seat will be designated for the Lumbee Indian Tribe.

Action was also taken to accept recommendations to fill vacancies on the board of directors of the N.C. Indian Housing Authority, Vivian Maynor and Elizabeth Maynor, both of Clinton, were nominated to the Commission by the Coharie Indian Tribe and Earlene Stacks and Bobby Berry, both of Charlotte, were nominated by the Metrolina Native American Association.

The Commission voted to hold a public hearing regarding the recognition of Indian organizations by the State of North Carolina. The Commission is proposing that organizations be deleted from the Commission's recognition procedures. A public hearing will be held in Robeson County on November 19. The location will be announced at a later date.

Commission members adopted a motion to send letters to leaders of various federal agencies encouraging them to include "state-recognized Indians" in their Indian policy statement, programs and activities.

The Commission authorized the publication of the Indian Law Report which was developed by an intern employed at the Commission last summer. The Indian Law Report will be published as a resource guide and will include all Indian statutes adopted by the N.C. General Assembly this century. The resource guide will include statutory references, not statute text.

Commission members adopted the 1997-98 Annual Report, which will be published by December 31,