

# PEMBROKE NEWS

by Mrs. Bazie Hardin

Mr. and Mrs. William E. Pace spent a long week end visiting in Washington, D. C. where they toured many places of interest.

Mrs. Roy J. Duson and children of Florida spent some time visiting in the home of Mrs. Duson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John L. Carter.

Mr. and Mrs. Colonel R. Locklear of Reston, Virginia were the guests of Mrs. Locklear's mother, Mrs. Ivone Chavis and a sister of Mrs. Locklear, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Chavis and family of the Union Chapel area. The Locklears came at this time to carry their sons Eric and Russell home. The boys had spent some five weeks with their grandmother, Mrs. Ivone Chavis and other relatives.

Clyde W. Chavis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tonnie Chavis of Southgate, Mich. is spending part of his summer vacation as a house guest of his paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Chavis of Pine Street and his aunts, Mrs. P. R. Bullard and Mr. Bullard and their daughter Jana and Mrs. Barbara Jones and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Locklear and family of Chapel Hill spent several days visiting with his parents and other relatives of the Prospect Community.

The Teenage Girls' Sunday School Class of Mount Olive Pentecostal Holiness Church along with their teacher, Mrs. Linda C. Bullard, and Mrs. Mrs. Melbert Lowry, spent

Wednesday of the past week visiting at Carowinds Entertainment Capital of the Carolinas. Making the trip along with the teachers were Wendy Sanderson, Norma Lowry, Wanda Kay Revels, Phyllis Sanderson, Sheila Jacobs, Kathy Locklear, Linda Wicker, Victoria Locklear, Telisa Jones, Judy Locklear, Wynne Maynor, Sheila Locklear and Mary Lois Jacobs. Also Mrs. Peggy Clark and son Kevin and Jana Bullard, daughter of Mrs. Linda C. Bullard and Michelle and David Lowry, children of Mrs. Melbert Lowry. The group reports they had lots of fun and saw many interesting things.

Mr. and Mrs. Earlie B. Maynor spent the past week end visiting at Myrtle Beach, SC. They were overnight guest Saturday night in Nicholson, SC and attended church service Sunday at the Friends Pentecostal Holiness Church where the Rev. Wilkes is pastor. Mr. Maynor teaches one of the Adult Bible Church Classes at Mt. Olive Pentecostal Holiness Church and in his absence, Mr. Bobby R. Maynor taught the class. Bobby is a nephew of Mr. Maynor.

The Rev. Lloyd Soles of Falcon, NC was the guest speaker Sunday at the morning service at Mt. Olive Pentecostal Holiness Church. The pastor is Rev. Timothy Creel.

A song service will be held Saturday night, August 20, at the Rock of Bethlehem Baptist Church. The public is cordially invited to attend this

service beginning at 7:30 p.m. by Mrs. Vashti Sampson. The pastor is Rev. Tilford Locklear.

Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Underwood of Greenville, SC are visiting in the home of their son-in-law and daughter, Rev. and Mrs. Timothy Creel and family. Also visiting in the Creel home for several days were a sister of Mrs. Creel and her family, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Zwolinski and children of Providence, Rhode Island. Mr. and Mrs. Underwood attended service Sunday at the Mt. Olive Pentecostal Holiness Church and were visitors in the Bible Class Church School in the room of Mr. Earlie B. Maynor. Also attending service at the same church was Mr. Clyde W. Chavis of Southgate, Mich.

Mrs. Sarah Louise Cummings was a week end guest in the home of her first cousin and her family, Mr. and Mrs. John Frank of Cherry Grove Beach, SC.

Mr. and Mrs. Woodard Hunt of Falls Church, Va. spent several days visiting with Mrs. Hunt's mother, Mrs. Flarie Locklear of the Saddletree area and other relatives and friends. Mr. and Mrs. Hunt were accompanied to North Carolina by a niece, Miss Melanie Caroline Locklear, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny L. Locklear of Springfield, Va. Miss Locklear visited for a week with her grand mother, Mrs. Lillie Jacobs of Pine Street.

A gift of money was donated Sunday to the Mt. Olive P. H.

Church by Mrs. Dora M. Oxendine in honor of her grandson, Ronald Victor Sanderson's birthday, and Mrs. Buster Burke for her niece Samantha Jacobs' 4th birthday. Samantha is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sedrick Jacobs. And Timothy Creel, Jr. for his 12th birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Thadis Oxendine had as their guest over the week end, Mr. and Mrs. John Standingdeer and daughter Missy of Cherokee, NC. The Standingdeers along with their hostess Mrs. Oxendine attended church service Sunday at Mt. Olive Pentecostal Holiness Church.

Telisa Jones was honored recently with a party for her 13th birthday given by her mother, Mrs. Barbara Jones and held at Pine Lake Park. Among the many friends and relatives present were the honoree's brothers - Glennie, Kevin and Todd, and her grandmother, Mrs. Iuela Chavis and a aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Bullard and daughter Jana. Miss Jones received many gifts including a large cash gift.

Please remember the shut-ins and sick and lonely in your prayers. Thank you.

### BIBLE THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Hebrew 11:1-2 "Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. For by it the elders obtained a good report."



Mr. Murphy Locklear, Jr. and his 120 lb. watermelon. (Bruce Barton photo)

## Mr. Murphy Locklear Grows 120 Pound Watermelon

Said Mr. Locklear, "I wanted you to come and take a picture of it... otherwise, people would have thought I was putting them on. They won't believe it unless they can see it..."

Here it is, 120 pounds of watermelon! The watermelon was grown by Mr. Murphy Locklear, Jr. of the Mt. Airy Community on one of the family farms. Said Mr. Locklear, "I didn't do anything

special, except I ordered special seeds from a catalogue. This watermelon was grown from a seed that cost fifty cents."

Mr. Locklear plans to exhibit the watermelon and, possibly, win a Blue Ribbon at the Lumberton Jaycees Fair later in the year. In the meantime, he has it on ice, or at least, in Ray Bell's cooler in Pembroke. (Bruce Barton photo)

## Kershaw Addresses Pembroke Kiwanis



Rock Kershaw & Bernard Lowry

Pembroke Kiwanis welcomed Rock Kershaw as guest speaker at their Tuesday evening meeting at Sims Restaurant.

Mr. Kershaw joined the PSU faculty in 1970 and this past year has been on a leave of absence to assume the General Managership of the outdoor drama Strike at the Wind.

As the closing night of the first season nears (August 14), Mr. Kershaw gives his assessment of the venture in one phrase: "It has exceeded every expectation." It has achieved this distinction thru the genius of Randolph Umberger who wrote the story of Henry Berry Lowrie and the exceptional ability of Dr. Arthur McDonald who took 65 amateur actors and changed them into professionals. Add to this the moving and haunting music of Willie Lowery and the result is one of the finest dramas being performed in the United States today.

But all of this would not have been possible if it had not been for the initials efforts of Hector MacLean, Chairman of the Robeson Historical Drama Inc. from 1968-74 and his successor, Adolph Dial, who made the dream of a historical drama of the Lumbee Indians become a reality. Without his work in raising money to start and continue the work involved in the presentation of this drama, there would have been no drama.

The Amphitheatre is completely paid for - not only because of the contributions of money but also because of the many who contributed their time, their equipment, their expertise - such as Russell Oxendine, Bob Van Hoy, Bob Collins, the Pembroke Jaycees. Without their valuable assistance, the amphitheatre could not have been built and paid for in the first season of operation.

To keep the drama moving, 37 young people have been employed full-time. They work long and hard at their jobs - some arrive early in the morning do not finish until after midnight.

The result of all these efforts has been a drama which has earned excellent reviews, and which has been widely advertised in magazines, news papers, on radio and television and through publicity releases which have been sent through out the eastern seaboard. Attendance at Strike at the Wind has been excellent, in fact some performances have been sell-outs, with people being turned away. The audiences have not only been Robeson County people but also many tourists from our own state, and as far away as Canada and California. The word spreads that this is truly an outstanding historical drama and next season we will draw still more tourists.

The Lost Colony has been running for some 37 years and Unto These Hills has been performed even longer. Strike at the Wind is now completing its first year and without a doubt it will be in performance fifty years from now.

President-elect Bernard Lowry presided at the meeting and the guest speaker was introduced by Ken Johnson. Visitors were John Entekin of Florida and Bahnon Barnes of Lumberton. The guest speaker next Tuesday will be Dr. Andre Nadeau of PSU who will report on the Olympics at Montreal which he attended this summer.

## Volunteers Needed

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer tutor to help some one learn to read, call Mrs. Vernon Hazel Locklear at 521-4323 or Mrs. Alta Oxendine at 521-4619. Volunteers are needed to help carry on the adult basic education which is one of the services provided by the Robeson County Church and Community Center.

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