

# More on Joe Freeman Britt

In our October 28 edition, we made reference to the fact that the office of the District Attorney for the Sixteenth Judicial District did not have employed any Indians or Blacks. Since that time we have been contacted by several reputable sources—including some Indians—with the information that the present District Attorney, Joe Freeman Britt, had, prior to the date of our editorial, committed himself to hire, effective with the very next opening, an attorney who, in the words of one source, "just happens to be Indian." We will grant even the devil his due, Joe Freeman Britt inherited, of course, his present staff, and his prior commitment to hire an assistant district attorney who "just happens to be an Indian" says something about the man. So in this respect, whatever his motives, we owe Joe Freeman Britt one free tip of the hat.

## According to Scripture

Hebrew 6:6 "If they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance, seeing they crucify to themselves the son of God afresh, and put him to an open shame."

I can't help but think and wonder why some of you so called Christians live a life of sin Monday through Saturday, come Sunday you put on your four hour Christian robe. All those people who you work with and party with have heard your words of foul language, speaking the Lord's name in vain, pleasing the flesh, back slide on God for months at a time and during this time of sin in your life, you tell people you are a Christian, and once saved always saved. It is people like you who hinder others from entering in to God's kingdom. But don't fool yourself, the word said, and I quote, Hebrew 6:8 "But that which beareth thorns and briars is rejected, and is near unto cursing, whose end is to be burned." You live like the world. It is alright if you drink strong liquor. It is alright if you curse or use God's name in vain and say to a sinner who does the same thing that you are a Christian. But you are not. You are living a lie. I say again, you are living a lie.

he hath trespassed and in his sin that he hath sinned, in them shall he die.

Yet ye say the Lord is not equal. 27 verse, here the Lord says a wicked man who turned from his sins and wicked ways and doeth those things which are lawful and right, he shall live. Why? Because he believes God. And who's desire is to live a holy life for Jesus himself gave his life for you. They tell me Jesus Christ was beaten till his flesh hung from his body. It told that his beard was pulled out by hand, and that his blood was shed on the ground from Pilate's court to Golgotha Hill where he died.

When you live a hypocrite's life, you put him to an open shame. You don't know what you are doing cause some one you know, and live with, eat, sleep with, you couldn't do this to that person Jesus. If you did it and did it to please Satan or the flesh, for if we sin willfully after we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sin. If the blood of Jesus fails to save you and you still don't see, then there is another sacrifice to be made. Then it is you desire to remain sinful and to be rebellious to Jesus and his father. The Bible says every man shall be judged according to his ways saith the Lord God. Repent and turn yourselves from your transgressions so iniquity shall not be your ruin. Ezekiel 18:30. Cast away from you all your transgressions by which ye have transgressed and make yourselves a new heart and a new spirit, for ye will ye die. Verse 31. The hardest thing in a person's life is to say I'm sorry or please forgive. That is the reason some today are afar from Christ because they won't repent and say Lord Jesus, have mercy. Satan has blinded their eyes and said sin is life. But I heard him say the wages of sin is death.

There have been sinner people who tell me that they know that a Christian is to be different. They tell me they don't read the Bible much, but they know a Christian is to live a better life. He is to let his light shine so that others may see and that Jesus may be glorified by your righteousness.

Let's read Ezekiel 18:24 "But when the righteous turneth away from his righteousness, and committeth iniquity, and doeth according to all the abominations that the wicked man doeth, shall he live?" This is the Lord speaking here. He is saying if the Christian turns back and does the things of a sinner, shall he be saved? Now listen to the rest of God's word. All his righteousness shall not be mentioned in his trespass that

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## MUSING Reasonable Locklear

DOUBLE VOTING IS JUST A HORRIBLE MEMORY FROM THE PAST...

Boys! It is now official: Double voting ain't with us anymore. We are free from that evil and stupid system where one race of people (white) laid on another (Indians) and made 'em think it was all right. We know better now but people usually only know what they read in the news paper and, before smart elects Bruce Barton and The Carolina Indian Voice, there weren't nothin' to read in the county but the Robesonian. Boys! Them folks misled us up a tree about double voting.

Praise God! Indians will have somethin' to say in the future about what kind of education their children get.

I just hope them six Indians, 1 Black and 2 whites have got a little education themselves. They are a going to need ever' ounce of the stuff they can get. Already some of the power boys are a talking about merger and consolidation and brotherhood and roses and tater bread and loving one another. Parkton and some of the other white traditional schools are a trying their dead level best to get out of the county system. That's how come we've got six school systems now: it's what them Washington, DC boys call

"White fright flight." Maybe they are afraid we are going to do unto them what they done to us.

Right now, my main concern is that them six Indians on the board stay Indians and not become white men in dark skin. That's the biggest fear I got. Reasonable has right now. We've already seen some of that at Lumbee River Electric Membership Corp. where Hubert Prevatte (a white) beat out Elias Rogers (an Indian) for President of the board even though there is 8 Indians, 2 Blacks and 2 whites on the coop board. Boys! If that's the way it's a going to be...well, we could always rant and rave and pitch holy fits about white folks. When Indians do it to Indians...well, Ol' Reasonable has problems with breaking that down to my fans and readers.

## Educational Views By Dr. Dalton Brooks

WHAT IS EQUAL OPPORTUNITY?

Since schools are burdened with the responsibility of educating all students, "Equal Opportunity" would take the student with a SAT score of 200 and develop educational programs—a curriculum to help that student achieve relative to his abilities.

In our society, public schools are the vehicles by which young people could escape the social disadvantage of birth. Lots of our children come from homes with family, nutritional and adverse relationships that tend to retard educational maturity. How is it possible for these children to have the same educational opportunity that exist for the Middle Class with its distinct advantages for motivating students for success? To Americanize the answer is equal opportunity.

Equal opportunity is a condition in which all students can develop their full potential without regard to social or economic backgrounds. Politically, this definition goes beyond the school and involves the home, the legislative and the Church. All of these institutions are responsible for helping to find ways for student achievement. However, the school must provide the leadership.

Leadership in public education will be responsive to the educational needs that exist in our diverse population. It will seek to utilize modern means of assessing, interpreting, and evaluating appropriate methods which help kids. One example is clearly a case in point—the SAT score.

The SAT test is an aptitude test used by higher educational personnel for predicting success in college. If the school waits until the 12th grade to take the test, and if that student makes 500, then that student can predict his or her own future. He will not need the complicated statistical reliance to make predictions. What is needed is an Achievement test. The SAT is

also an achievement test, especially to low achievers.

If the SAT test could be given in the 9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th grades and the score used as a criteria—not a predictor—for student improvement, then the SAT for the ninth grade students is at least which provides him or her with much needed information in the verbal and math section. If the SAT is such an important device for prediction of success in college, let the awareness begin the first grade or maybe kindergarten; let the parents know—conduct work shops in every hamlet—that such a test is so important.

### CONCLUSION

Equal Educational Opportunity is much like liberty. It's difficult to define, and much more complicated when attempts are made to measure such a concept. However, the student who receives a poor education know it; they are somehow caught in a cycle that promotes illiteracy. The federal government has made efforts to meet inequalities with equal dollars, but measurable achievement results have not been made. I think that the school is primarily responsible for planning, developing, evaluating, and promoting the kind of educational programs that help children succeed in high school and in college.

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## EDITORIAL AND OPINION PAGE

AS I SEE IT  
Bruce Barton



### A FEW THOUGHTS ON THE DEMISE OF DOUBLE VOTING

While those departing were sent off to forced retirement with accolades falling about them I thought about those who had fallen by the wayside because they did not possess good self images. They were the flower of our youth, the best we had to offer. They were struck down by shotgun blasts, a gut ripping knife, a freudian coyness with alcohol and drugs. They are not with us any longer and their absence is the terrible proof of the evil and nefarious nature of double voting. They were robbed of their self esteem, their good self image. They were not imbued with the idea that YOU ARE SOMEBODY! They did not respect themselves and, therefore, they could not respect their peers. The result was violence of a nature not seen in other parts of America. We killed and maimed one another because, deep down in the dark recesses of our hearts, we did not like ourselves or each other.

I gave those departing no accolades, except a disdainful smirk, a good riddance to you and may we never see you like in our midst. I was not magnanimous. I remembered too many votes were cast by Indian children. I remembered their condescending sneers, their patronizing "we know what is best for you" smiles, they are gone but I am not happy, not gloating over their departure. I have been hurt too much to smile easily and now, even in grudging fashion, as they walk from the room.

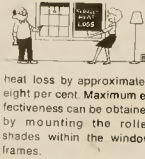
They were proponents and practitioners of double voting, the evil and life robbing political device that cost Indian people dearly. Our psyches were scarred and the scar tissue will remain with us until a new generation follows us with a spritely step—not woden and leaden by our history but spritely and hopeful and reaching out with the hand of fellowship. Then, and only then, will they do what is truly best for the children.

With a combined total of 74 years on the Robeson County Board of Education, they walked into the pages of history. There were no crowds, no cheering, no tears as they walked away from the disaster they helped to create and maintain. The feeling was one of relief and a look toward the future.

They are: L. J. Williams, 21 years on the board; Herbert McCormick, 15 years; Steven Stone, 15 years; Thurman Anderson, 13 years; Sammy Allen, 6 years; and Mrs. Alene Holmes, 4 years. Except for Mrs. Holmes, the first Indian woman to ever serve on the board, they were all

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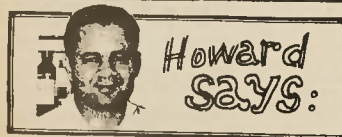
heat loss by approximately eight per cent. Maximum effectiveness can be obtained by mounting the roller shades within the window frames.

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This Bill went on from Raleigh to Washington to be passed ver-ba-tum in Washington, DC.

After the Bill reached Washington politics got hold of the Bill and had a little notation added to the Bill that the Lumbee Indians knew nothing about. The new inserted phrase or verse namely:

Bring your next prescription to a pharmacist you can trust—where savings are real, not imagined! Prescriptions are filled promptly and accurately by our pharmacist with lots of tender care.



## Is your Rx-discount imagined or real?

What did you pay for your last prescription? As one chain is wont of saying, "You're probably paying too much." Did your pharmacy offer you a "discount"? If so, a discount from what?

Remember this, it is not what discount you're getting, if indeed you are receiving one, it's what you pay for your medication that makes the difference. In other words, what is your paying per unit cost? This is the thing. Just be sure it's a real discount. Otherwise, you may find

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Put it before them briefly so they will read it, clearly so they will appreciate it, picturesquely so they will remember it, and, above all accurately so they will be guided by its lights.



-Joseph Pulitzer

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## More on Robeson County Justice

To the Editor:

I am writing concerning the letter you published in the October 21 issue of The Carolina Indian Voice from a Mr. Harvey Godwin, Jr. It would appear, judging from the content of the letter, Mr. Godwin is a young person very much concerned about the discreet racism and covert injustice being practiced in Robeson County. He is indeed correct in his belief that the Lumbee Indians, and to a considerable extent the Robeson County Blacks, will eventually foot the bill for the construction of Lumberton's Taj Mahal, i.e. the New Court House.

Mr. Godwin's main emphasis focused on the recent trials in which drug dealers were given, according to inferences in a generous article in The Robesonian, "just what they deserved." Do you, as citizens of this county, realize several of these defendants involved recovered prison sentences in excess of those handed to the defendants involved in a recent capture of an entire cargo ship loaded with twenty-five (25) tons of marijuana? I doubt all the defendants taken together have ever seen even a ton of pot. Is this the justice existing in Robeson? Do you realize the Supreme Court of this democratic country has ruled it legal and even constitutional for an undercover agent to sell, to an unsuspecting person, drugs, which the agent can then persuade the same person to sell back to him and, if the person does, the agent can bust him, resulting in a star in his crown and even money for the Christmas party? How safe are any of us, young or old, under such a law with narcotics

agents like Mr. Locklear, seeking to establish himself in the eyes of those he trusts and lives, i.e. the "inlaws" hiding in the swamps of Lumberton, NC? I sincerely believe, and this is based on past experience and common talk, that Mr. Godwin is in dire danger of becoming one of the next batch of drug peddlers rounded up. I, too, Mr. Godwin, wonder how many minorities were present in the juror box during these trials? Also, how did it come about that all these people's trials were held in one session of court? Is this what Henry Ford's assembly line idea has degenerated to?

Well, we could go on and on describing the underhanded, double-dealing, brown - nosing farce, called justice, existing in Robeson. But allow me to get to the point. We, as Lumbees and then as freedom-loving Americans, should not tolerate such gross infringement upon our dignity and freedom. No one is safe under a system where those with the badge must answer to no one. Has it come to the point that one must forsake his people simply to satisfy an ever-expanding ego? If you had to go to court tomorrow to face the same judge and jury that some of the afore-mentioned defendants had to face, would you feel completely at ease in your expectation of a fair and impartial trial?

Folks, let's wake-up and realize discrimination is not something Rev. Martin L. King invented and took to his honored grave.

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## Comments on the Lumbee Bill

To the Editor:

There are a great number of citizens who do not quite understand the reason for the passing of the Lumbee Bill.

The Lumbee Indian Bill was drawn up by our two representatives and our senator of North Carolina about 1955. An election was held in all the voting precincts of Robeson County as to the name Lumbee Indians of North Carolina which made us State Citizens for the first time.

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Life is queer with its twists and turns, as everyone of us sometimes learns. And many a fellow turns about, when he might have won had he stuck it

Nothing in this Act shall make such Indians eligible for any service performed by the United States for Indians because of their status as Indians and none of the statutes of the United States which effect Indians because of their status as Indians shall be applicable to the Lumbee Indians.

My dear friend, I have never yet seen where this addition effected the progress of the Lumbee Indians one iota. We have progressed more rapidly since the passage of the Bill than at any time prior to passing the Bill.

See our campuses at Pembroke University and all the high schools of Robeson County.

Certain people think the surplus addition to the Bill helped stop collecting money to form the Impossible Reservation.

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## Don't Quit

When things go wrong, as they sometimes will, when the road you're treading seems all up hill, when the funds are low—the debts are high, and you want to smile, but you have to sigh, when care is pressing you down a bit, rest if you must, but don't you quit!

Often the goal is nearer than it seems to a faint and faltering man; often the struggler has given up when he might have captured the victor's cup. And he learned too late when the night came down, how close he was to the golden crown.

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