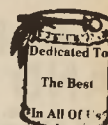
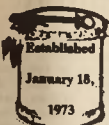


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INDIAN EDUCATION IN ROBESON COUNTY AND ELSEWHERE

By Bruce Barron

Editor's Note: This is the beginning of a series of articles on Indian Education in Robeson County and elsewhere. The series will run until we explore the pros and cons and ins and outs of Indian education to our satisfaction.

The series, more than likely, will include some editorial judgments made by the writer, Bruce Barron, who is the editor of the Carolina Indian Voice.

We invite your comments and reactions on Indian Education in Robeson County and elsewhere.

SOME PRELIMINARY NOTES AND A LITTLE BACKGROUND...

What Is The Indian Education Act of 1972?

is a Congressional declaration of policy recognition of the special educational needs of Indian students in the United States.

In June 23, 1972, the Indian Education Act of 1972 was signed into law as Title IV, Public Law 92-318, Education Amendments of 1972, thus creating new educational opportunities for Indian children and adults.

The Act provides Federal financial assistance to public school systems, as well as to Indian community schools on or near reservations, for the purpose of planning, developing, and carrying out elementary and secondary school programs specifically designed to meet the special educational needs of Indian children; and to State and local educational agencies, for special programs to improve educational opportunities for Indian children and adults. In addition, provisions for an Office of Indian Education were authorized, and a National Advisory Council on Indian Education was created to provide policy advice and guidance to the Commissioner of Education in respect to the administration of any program in which Indian children or adults participate or benefit.

The Indian Education Act of 1972, therefore, has been designed to help Native Americans, both on and off reservations, to receive enriched educational opportunities.

Although many Federal education programs have benefited Indian students to be extended over the years, there has not been a coordinated effort among them to focus on special educational needs of Indian students. Hence, there arose a need for legislation that would more clearly focus on realistic distribution of Federal funds specifically "ear-marked" for the design and implementation of special educational programs for Indian students.

There are four parts to the Indian Education Act of 1972. Part A provides

grants on a formula basis to local school systems for (1) planning and developing other steps leading to the taking of programs specifically designed to meet the special educational needs of Indian children... Part B authorizes discretionary grants to Indian tribes, organizations, as well as state and local educational agencies, for use in special programs and projects to improve educational programs and opportunities for Indian children... Part C provides assistance to state and local educational agencies and to Indian tribes, institutions, and organizations to support planning, pilot, and demonstration projects to plan, test, and demonstrate the effectiveness of programs for providing adult education to Indians. Part D provides for the establishment of a bureau level office of Indian Education within the U.S. Office of Education, Department of Health, Education and Welfare. Part D also established the National Advisory Council on Indian Education comprising fifteen members who are Indians or Alaskan natives and who are charged with advisory and evaluatory responsibilities relative to governmental programs affecting Indian interests.

MAJOR PARTS PLAYED A LOCAL INDIAN IN THE INDIAN EDUCATION ACT OF 1972

Helen Schierbeck, daughter of the late and respected Lacy Maynor and Mrs. Maynor, who still resides in Pembroke, is considered one of the country's leading experts on Indian Education. She worked

long and hard in seeing the legislation through Congress and headed the Indian Education Desk in the U.S. Department of Education of HEW through the program's infancy.

Most knowledgeable educators in the United States give Ms. Schierbeck the lion's share of credit for the Indian Education Act of 1972.

Ms. Schierbeck resides in the Washington, D.C. area and most recently headed the task force on Indian education for the American Indian Policy Review Commission.

Another local educator who worked on the Indian Education act of 1972 was Purnell Swett, who is now the Associate Superintendent of the Robeson County School Unit. Swett, who at one time was the Acting Deputy Commissioner at the U.S. Department of Education, was involved in developing the regulations and edicts that are embodied in the Act.

Since the beginning of the IEA program, a Lumbee Indian has served on the National Advisory Council on Indian Education. Mrs. Karma Hunt Torkleap served on the council for a number of years.

Now serving on the council is Earl Hughes Oxendine, who is a principal in the Hoke County School System. He was appointed earlier this year.

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PEMBROKE TO HAVE COURTHOUSE EFFECTIVE JULY 1

Pembroke finally will have a district court thanks to the efforts of Representative Horace Locklear in the House of Representatives and Senator Luther Britt in the Senate.

Senator Luther Britt had introduced the measure to provide Pembroke with a district court earlier in the year. Representative Locklear introduced the measure in the house Friday and it passed without opposition.

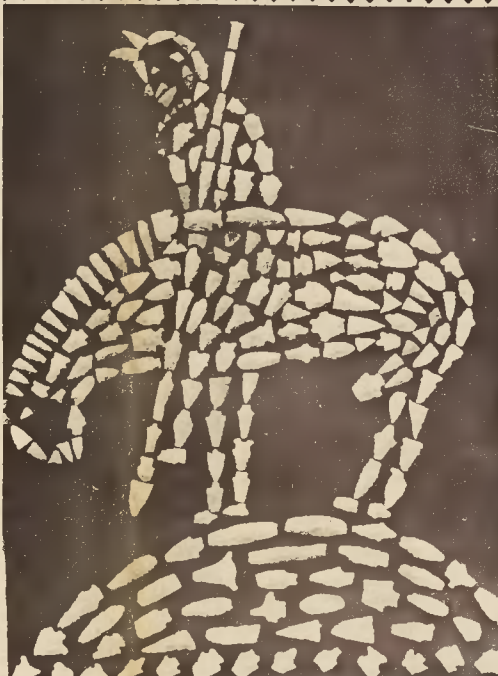
It always had been pointed out by those who contend Robeson is still rampant with racism... "Hey, Pembroke is the only town of any size in Robeson County that does not have a district court."

Locklear, the young Lumbee Indian legislator, had made the Pembroke District Court a high priority item in his campaign and he helped to get the

measure passed in his first term in the house. Said Locklear, "I appreciate Senator Britt's help on the senate side... I'm very happy about this."

It is expected that Pembroke's District Court will be in operation by July 1 and will be in session one day a week.

Unconfirmed rumor has it that the district court will be housed in the old First Union National Bank Building on Railroad Street beside Supply Implement Company. Pates Supply Company owns the building which has been vacant since First Union moved to new quarters last year. The town is expected to rent the building on a monthly basis with the idea in mind that a permanent court house will be built in the near future as part of a complex of offices that the town officials have been contemplating, based on the availability of federal funds.



"END OF TRAIL," a famous Indian painting by James Fraser, is depicted here in arrowheads collected from Robeson County by Dr. Bobby D. Brayboy, who is with the U.S. Indian Health Service in Washington, D.C. The stone at the bottom left is a hardway point, one of the oldest types of the region. It is approximately 10,000 B.C. (before present) or 8,000 B.C., according to Dr. David A. McLean, visiting professor of anthropology at Pembroke State University.

The original work is on display at the Native American Resource Center, Pembroke State University.

John L. Carter, A Profile

by b. locklear

Pembroke--"People go through life never realizing what living's all about. They live in such a sophisticated way that they seldom think about the common things," thus said the 70-year-old semi-retired John L. Carter of the Mt. Airy Community.

The setting of his modest country home reflected the philosophy of this Lumbee Indian who just a little shy of two years ago was Pembroke State University's registrar a position he held for sixteen years.

A cozy fire flickered as Carter settled back in his favorite arm chair to talk about life since and before his retirement from public education with the state of North Carolina.

His earliest years were spent in Florida with his parents, Alonza and Rhedicy Carter. His father left his job in Florida as a machinist to return to his native Robeson when young John L. was six years old. The Carter family resided in the rural Union Chapel community during the early 1900s where they engaged in farming with their eight children.

Those were the lean years according to young John L. "It was during those years that I became very close to my mother. I helped with the milk cows. I never did learn to cook, or milk a cow. I always left that to my mother, and later on to my wife," he recalled with a grin. "I learned many good things from my mother during that time. It was her Christian teaching that helped me accept her death when I was only 16 years old," he sadly commented.

A loud laugh filled the book-cramped living room as he related the day he first saw his wife Mary Ellen Jacobs. "It was a cold winter day, and my father asked

me to join him and another gentleman for a ride to Lumberton to draw a deed for the farm property which my father had purchased. While in the city, I bought some coconut candy in rainbow colors. When we arrived back home in the Mt. Airy community, I spotted her peeking from a window of her parents' home. I wanted so much to share the candy with Mary Ellen, but was too bashful to do so.

"To this day, when I see that candy in stores, it reminds me of her," said Mr. Carter.

A few years later, he courted and married the girl whom he caught peeking at him. That was in 1930. Today they have nine adult children. All are married except one.

The Carters feel their biggest accomplishment has been in educating all their children. The first born, John Louis, Jr., studied high school and college away from home. He entered military services at the age of 18. The youngest, and single, is Lex, who recently graduated from East Carolina University. He majored in political science. Mrs. Opene Sampson earned her undergraduate degree from PSU, and holds her graduate degree from ECU. She teaches in a junior college in Parkville, Maryland.

Mrs. Adrene Locklear graduated from PSU, and teaches at Piney Grove Elementary School located in rural Lumberton. She has traveled extensively overseas, having lived in Germany and Okinawa.

Mrs. Mazalene Dusan resides in Jacksonville, Florida, and teaches school in that city. She holds a M.A. from the University of Jacksonville, and chose to study undergraduate at Carson-Newman, Tennessee.

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Mr. and Mrs. John L. Carter at home. (Bill Hunt photo)

people and places and things

RUMMAGE SALE PLANNED

The Pembroke Jaycettes will sponsor a rummage sale on Saturday, April 2, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. at Pembroke Tire and Recapping Service on Union Chapel Road. Everyone is invited to attend.

REVIVAL PLANNED

Revival services will begin at Tabernacle Baptist Church on Sunday, April 3, 1977. Services will run nightly through April 10th beginning at 7:30 p.m. There will be different speakers nightly and special music. The pastor, Rev. Nash Locklear, extends a cordial invitation to everyone.

PEMBROKE BPW CLUB TO MEET

The April meeting of the Pembroke Business and Professional Women's club will be held on Monday, April 4, at 7:00 p.m. at Maynor Manor Community Room. Guest speaker will be Ms. Sharon Van Zandt, Director of Bryan Day Care Center in Lumberton who will discuss "Women in and Mental Health."

The Report of the Nominating Committee for new officers for the coming year will be heard and a report will be made on the recent Shamrock Ball sponsored by the Club as a fund-raising activity. Ms. Grace Epps will report on the District IX meeting which will be held in Clinton on Saturday, April 2.

Hostesses for the April meeting will be Ms. Lillie M. Lowry, Ms. Mary Bell and Ms. Susan Maynor.

BOARD OF EDUCATION TO MEET APRIL 19, 1977

The April meeting of the Robeson County Board of Education will be held on Tuesday, April 19, 1977 at 4:00 p.m. rather than the regular scheduled date of the second Tuesday. The meeting is being postponed one week due to the fact that the schools and offices will be closed.

ADVANCE PAY TO VETERANS TERMINATED AT RTI

As of June 1, advanced pay to veterans for school attendance will be terminated. The announcement was made this week by Eddie Mac Locklear, Robeson Technical Institute's Director of Veteran Affairs.

According to information received from the Veteran Administration headquarters, a veteran will receive benefits for school attendance only after attending for the month. Checks for attendance in May will be issued on May first. No checks will be issued in June, when this new policy goes into effect. The next benefits will be issued July 1 for attendance in June.

"For the veteran whose sole income is veteran benefits while in school, this new policy means a period of adjustment," said Locklear. "There will be a lapse from May 1 to July 1 with no income coming in."

REVIVAL BEGINS AT CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP CHURCH

The Christian Fellowship Church in Red Springs will hold a revival beginning April 4 and running through April 8. Services will begin nightly at 7:00 p.m. The Rev. Rannie Garris from Peachland, NC will be the guest speaker.

The Christian Fellowship Church is a non-denominational church which is relatively new. Services are being held on Sunday morning beginning at 10:30 a.m. Services will also be held on Sunday, Wednesday and Saturday nights beginning at 7:00 p.m.

The Christian Fellowship Church extends a cordial welcome to people of all races and denominations. The Church is located off Highway #71, across from the telephone yard in Red Springs.

PSU TRACKMEN COMPETE SATURDAY

PSU's Braves will be among 27 teams from six states taking part in the fifth annual Atlantic Coast Relays track and field meet Saturday on the N. C. State track.

All of the Atlantic Coast Conference schools except Clemson will join South Carolina, Virginia Tech., East Carolina and 17 others for the 27-event meet which opens at 9:45 a.m. with the 10,000-meter run.

Pembroke State discus thrower Charles Shipman, 1500-meter runner Jeff Moody

and 5,000-meter runner Garry Henry, all of whom won in last week's triangular meet between PSU, State and Virginia will lead the Braves.

Last year Shipman was the star of the event with a discus throw of 183 feet, 1 inch--seven feet past the previous N. C. State track record and 22 feet, 10 inches past the previous meet record.

Shipman warmed up for the meet with a throw of 169 feet, 10 in. in last week's triangular meet at N. C. State.

ROWLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT PTA TO MEET

The Rowland School District PTA will meet in the Rowland High School Auditorium on Monday, April 4, 1977 at 7 p.m. The program will include a panel discussion on the current grading system.

All parents, teachers, and friends of Ashpole, Southside, and Rowland High School are urged to attend.

SCHOOL VISITS OXENDINE SCHOOL

On March 29th at Oxendine Elementary School a special musical program was rendered by Mrs. Joan Miller, visiting artist at Robeson Technical Institute.

She began her formal training at the age of 14, attended the Governor's school in music, and received a Spencer Love Scholarship in voice to UNC-Greensboro for four years.

She has also studied at Yale University and received many honors and special training in the area of music. Mrs. Miller has given over 100 recitals, performances, and lectures across the state.

She was accompanied by Ms. Mary Carol May formerly with the San Diego Opera Company and now residing in Lumberton.

Mrs. Miller's presentation was part of the school's project of exposing the children to the area of Fine Arts.

The faculty, staff, and student body thoroughly enjoyed her outstanding musical presentation and hope to have her back for another program in the near future.

PSU POLITICAL SCIENCE STUDENTS TO VISIT STATE LEGISLATIVE BUILDING

Pembroke State University's Political Science Department is sponsoring a trip to State Legislative Building in Raleigh Tuesday, April 5, during which the PSU students will meet with various state officials, including Gov. Jim Hunt.

The students will depart at 8 a.m. from the Maintenance Building of PSU and return home at 5 p.m. Leading the tour is Dr. Gibson Gray, associate professor of political science at PSU.

While at the State Legislative Building, they will attend committee meetings from 10:30 a.m. until noon. Following lunch they will meet with Commissioner of Insurance John Ingram at 1:30 p.m. in Room 10 of the Legislative Building for a briefing on insurance in politics.

At 3 p.m. they are scheduled to be greeted by Gov. Hunt in the rotunda of the old Capitol building.

At 3:45 p.m. they will meet with Sen. Luther Britt of Robeson County, and Jesse Barber, resident manager of an insurance company in Raleigh. Sen. Britt is a member of a senatorial committee concerned with insurance. Each will speak to the students on insurance matters for those entering politics.

Insurance topics to also be discussed include: Rate making for insurance in N. C., how it is and how it should be; Court cases involving insurance regulations; and Laws and prospective legislation concerning the regulation of insurance.

DR. E.B. TURNER TO BE MAIN SPEAKER AT DEDICATION CEREMONIES

Dr. E.B. Turner, Pastor of First Baptist Church, Lumberton, N.C. and Secretary of the Board of Governors of the University of North Carolina System, will be the main speaker at dedication ceremonies, April 16, at 11:00 a.m., of the \$3 million George L. Butler Learning Center Complex at Fayetteville State University.

The ceremony, presided by PSU Chancellor Charles "A" Lyons, Jr., will take place in the Little Theater of the million dollar Butler Learning Complex.

Historical Tour Planned By PSU's American Indian Studies Dept.

PEMBROKE--A 14-day American Indian historical sites study that will take 44 participants as far as the Navajo reservation in New Mexico, parts of Arizona, and Mt. Rushmore and the Black Hills in South Dakota will be conducted July 1 by the American Indian Studies Department of Pembroke State University.

Leading the tour will be Adolph L. Dial, chairman of the American Indian Studies Department, and William R. Bullard, assistant professor of history at PSU.

The PSU students, the tour is classified as American Indian Studies 455 and provides semester hours of credit.

The tour is limited to the first 44 and is on a first-come, first-serve basis. "Dial. Thirty have already paid and 11 have signed up. The list of people and travel costs must be paid in full not later than May 13.

The itinerary will also cover parts of Tennessee, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Colorado, Wyoming, Nebraska, Iowa,

Missouri, and Kentucky.

The bus tour will include tickets to the Grand Old Opry in Nashville, Tenn. Also planned is a visit to the drama, "Trail of Tears." Other stops will be at the Will Rogers Museum, Cowboy Hall of Fame, and Indian Museum in Oklahoma the Truman Library in Independence, Mo., and the sculpture of Chief Crazy Horse now being carved in South Dakota.

The tour plans to visit at least 12 Indian reservations, the largest of which is the Navajo Reservation in New Mexico which covers 14 million acres and has the largest Indian population in the U.S.

Cost for the tour, not including food, is \$423. Applications must include a check or money order for \$100 payable to the Dean of Admissions at Pembroke State University not later than April 30. All fees and travel costs must be paid in full not later than May 13.

An orientation meeting for those going will be held June 10 at 8 p.m. in Room 100 of the Oxendine Science Building.

UNC Tarheels to Take On PSU Braves Today

The University of North Carolina Tar Heels, who play the New York Yankees Saturday at Chapel Hill, will be in Pembroke today to take on the PSU Braves.

Both games have created a lot of interest because Pembroke Warrior standout Dwight Lowery is now the first string catcher with the Tar Heels, and Gene Locklear, the lithe Lumbee Indian outfielder from the Mt. Airy Community, is listed on the New York Yankee roster.

The game begins at 3 p.m. today on PSU's turf. PSU is on a three game winning streak and is now over the .500 mark with a 6-5 mark. The Tar Heels are 12-8 overall and 2-0 in the Atlantic Coast conference.

The Tar Heel's game with the New York Yankees at Chapel Hill is completely sold out. A number of locals are expected to attend both games to see Locklear and the brilliant young Lumbee Indian Dwight Lowery in action.