

And the Super Star: Micky Mantle 1 ho vorshiped the man and was angry at Roy

But I was a slight kid who, worse than that in glove scarce Robeson County, was left handed. I did everything left handed, including catching files. Nobody had ever seen a glove for a left handed ospiring boll player when I was a boy in Robeson.

### By Bruce Barton

When I was a boy my favorite team was New York Yankees. I used to grade and tobacco and listen to radio broadcasts of ver the loud protestations of my Ruth. I loved the New York Bill Skowron, Elston Howard older sister, Kuttureren Elston Howard, Yankees..., Bill Skowron, Elston Howard, Dr. Bobby Brown (who gave up a promising career to devote his time to his medical practice). Bobby Richardson (a religious man who quit at the height of his furne as a dandy second baseman), Gil McDonald (1 grimaced when his line drive

Henry Berry Lowry Pistol on Display in PSU's Lumbee Room

Arms Co., has two patent dates on it: June 17, 1856, and 1860.

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PEMBROKE--A pistol which reportedly "The latter date is on the gun probably elonged to Henry Berry Lowrie, the because some slight improvements were moussLumbes Indian outlaw of the Civil Yar and Reconstruction Period, has been and to the Native American Resource collector who presented it to PSU for 30 enter at Pembroke State University for days of exhibiting.

The pistol is the type in which, Ivey said, "You pack the powder and pack the ball The ball-and-cap pistol, made by Savage



Then he twinkled: "I can still take one of those big rifles at home with a scope on it--and can kill a crow so far away you'd have to see it to believe it." HOLLIS IVEY of Lumberton presents University's Native American Resource is pistol which reportedly belonged to enry Berry Lowrie to Pembroke State bockground.

behind it. It has the old-type hammer with which you fire the cap, it sets off the powder and fires the gun." The pistol has a cylinder for six bullets.

The story of how Ivey came by the gun is An Indian fellow came to see me in 1947

"An Indian fellow came to see min 1944, and said he needed some money and would Llike to buy Henry Berry Lowrie's gun. He had learned that I was a gun collector from Robeson Hardware Co. He didn't say where he got the gun. He didn't say it was supposed to have belonged to Henry Berry Lowrie--but that it **dld** belong to him. I also wore glasses, went for long, solitary walks, and read books. Woe is me! I was a mama's boy, too. But deep down inside where all little boys reside, I wanted to be a NEW YORK YANKEE. I applauded their every exploit, and walked about in smug satisfaction as they won World Series after World Series.

"Well, I bought the gun. I won't say for how much. But before long, that same fellow (I don't know his name) came back and wanted to buy the gun back. I told him I was sorry, but I didn't buy it to sell," said Ivev.

The pistol did not have a handle on it, so Ivey made one himself out of mahogany.

Ivey has 25 guns in his home "arsenal," some of which are over 100 years old, but the "Henry Berry Lowrie pistol" has been a favorite showpiece of his.

"Evander Britt (Lunberton lawyer) urged me not to let anyone have this gun because he said that there was going to be a museum in Lumberton some day," smiled lvey.

Ivey told of a trip in 1970 to the Confederate Museum at Richmond when he saw thousands of pistols -- "but not a single one like this gun." The museum people told him there they would be "tickled to death to have it," said Ivey.

Has he ever seen a pistol like it? "Only once," said lvey, who is a life member of the National Rifle Association. "That was in 1954 at a big country store and service station near Birmingham, Ala. This fellow there had a museum with a tremendous amount of guns. There was one like this in it."

Why Ivey's interest in guns? "I just like to offect weapons," he smiled. "Not as collect weapons," he smiled. "Not as nuch now as I used to. I bought my last one in '71. But I've liked shot guns and rifle:

Above is a photo of Gene in his splendid pin stripes with the rest of his team mates.

And above are his stats. I think he's a purty fair country ball player and I still contend that he might win a batting title in the

And I like him because he comes home every winter. He lives in the Mt. Airy Community with his mother in the off season and paints. He is an accomplished artist, another rarity in Indian Robeson

ended the promising career of Herb Score, the fireballing left hander for the Cleveland Indians. I felt the pain that McDouglad must have felt that long ago day when a line drive from his bat struck Score in the face Any agreement relative to a school **\*\*Virginia State at Atlantic Christian (2);** leaving one unit for another would have to Liberty Baptist at VMI (2); Norfolk State at be ratified by the N.C. State Board of St. Augustine.

Most the Super star, Micky Manne, Hikow worshiped the man and was angry at Roger Maris for daring to hit 61 home runs when my hero, Micky Manle, was on his hospital bed, troubled by his bad legs, with its mere 54 as Maris overtook him and Babe Ruth's record of 60. I thought it was unfair that Maris should have been the one to pass the Bambino's record. Additionally, any action taken would have to have the approval of the justice department under the mandate of the 1964 Civil Rights Act and the 1965 Voting Rights Act.

Robeson County is already one of the 39 counties in North Carolina subject to the 1965 Voting Rights Act for violations of the voting rights of citizens in the county. Any act that has anything to do with the electoral process has to be approved by the U.S. Justice Department.

And Hank Bauer, Billy Martin, and old Casey Stengel, the manager..lovable Casey. The New York Yankees were the epitome of class to me. They were far removed from my sphere as I tied tobacco and listened to their exploits on the radio. I secretly longed to be a New York Yankee, above all else. So, it seems virtually impossible for Parkton to leave the county unit and join the St. Pauls System. The issues will be explored fully at the meeting on April 19.

Leading the class to Raleigh will be Mrs Valera M. Bissett, instructor of sociology

# New Court House to be in FUNB Building

It's official. The new Pembroke District Court will be housed in the old First Union National Bank building on Railroad Street. The building has been vacant since FUNB moved to new quarters on Vance Street.

Reportedly the lease will be on a yearly basis for a sum of \$350.00 dollars a month. Pates Supply will renovate the building except for the actual fixtures in the court

they won World Series after World Series. I never dreamed that an Indian boy from Robeson County would ever make the major leagues, much less the NEW YORK YANKEES. But one has, and I stand in awe of him too. His character is sterling, and he dared to pursue his dream. He is a NEW YORK YANKEE. He is ny number one sports hero. I worship the gay, I mean he buddles around with Jim "Catfish" Hunter, Thurmon Munson, Craig Nettles and the modern day Yankees. And, reportedly, the manager, fiery Billy Martin, likes him too. The object of my little boy ave is Gene "Chief" Locklear, a real, honest to goodness NEW YORK YANKEE. Billy Martin, according to some of the boys at Rogers Drug. Town and Country Restaurant, and our other watering holes, likes Gene because he is aggressive, demanding, hard nosed, and very, very sure of himself and his talents. Town manager, McDuffie Cummings, did not confirm the monthly rate saying that "the lease was being finalized and any figures quoted would not necessarily be accurate at the present time."

Frank Leggett, Vice President for Student Services and coordinator for the affair, invites the general public, and especially all alumni, to attend. One other building was considered. That building, the old Super Dollar Store building, now reportedly owned by Gene Locklear, owner of University Sportswear, was, according to unofficial sources, considered too costly to renovate for use as a court room.

majors (as he has done twice in the minors) if they'ld just let him get his times at bat. Maybe this year...maybe. I hope so. After all, according to the boys, Billy Martin likes him. Red Springs Commissioner Bobby Dean Locklear, at Monday's meeting of the Robeson County Board of Commissioners, made a motion to notify officials in town that 6 vacancies are upcoming on the controversial Robeson County Industrial and Agriculture Commission.

I see him in the off season and I pester him terribly with mundane questions like "what kind of fellow is Catfish, really?" "Who's the toughest pitcher you ever faced?" He says, "Don Sutton, the Dodger, and Tom Seaver, the Met fastballer." Yes, here he is: my hero-Gene Locklear, the lithe New York Yankee, who always identifies himself as a Lumbee Indian from the Pembroke area. Ah, it's enough to make one want to return to his boy hood. Good luck, Gene, I wish you the best, sincerely.

The 11 member commission was the strom center of the recent controversy in hiring the new Industrial director. Tony Smith. Locklear's motion also included the proviso that the town officials be notified that the vacancies will be filled subject to the county's recently enacted Affirmative Action plan. His being in the major leagues gives us all hope. After all, if Gene can realize his dream them so can I.

Rev. Sam Brown, pastor of Fayetteville Gardner, and Rev. Samuel L. Townsend, pastor of Laurinburg Galilee, will be the guest speakers at Pleasant Grove United Methodist Church. Services will begin Sunday, April 24 - 29 at 7:30 each night. The public is welcome and cordially invited by the pastor Simoen Dufrene Cummings and the church to scome & worship with

OPEN HOUSE PLANNED AT PROSPCT HEAD START

Wednesday, April 13 will be Open House at Prospect Head Start Center. All day the center will be accepting applications for students who will be 4 years old by October 15th. Immunity record and birth certificates nust accompany application. The public is nvited to attend.

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PSU SOCIOLOGY CLASS TO ATTEND HOUSE MEETING IN RALEIGH

ALUMNI SPRING FESTIVAL TO BE HELD AT RTI

Of particular interest to Robeson Technical Institute alumni and to the public are plans for an "Alumni Spring Festival" to be held on Friday night, April 22, on the

A variety of musical entertainment in the RTI courtyard begins at 7:30 p.m., followed by an Open House and reception. Buildings and shops will be open for visitors with staff and students as hosts in the varioue areas

Artists performing during the evening are vocalists Dehavia Drake, Rudy Locklear, Don Brock, and Joan Miller with her accompanist Mary Carol Warwick. Their repertoire covers popular, folk, and gospel music. Pianist Steven Hunter, visiting artist at Wayne Community College, adds a touch of classical and jazz. The St. Andrews Stage Band specializes in good listening music, and rounds out the special entertainment.

COMMISSIONER BODY DEAN LOCKLEAR PUSHES FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF AFFIRMATIVE ACTION IN FILLING UPCOMING VACANCIES ON INDUSTRIAL AND AGRICULTURE COMMISSION

## PEMBROKE HEAD START CENTER TO HOLD OPEN HOUSE

Pembroke Head Start Center will hold an "Open House" Wednesday, April 13 from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. Applications will be accepted for 3 and 4 year olds. PEMBROKE--The Sociology 348 Class of Pembroke State University, a class which deals with Social Welfare Policies and Programs, will attend a meeting of the N.C. House Committee of Human Resources Today, Thursday, April 7, at the State Legilative Building in Raleigh.

PEMBROKE JAYCEES TO SPONSOR A KITE CONTEST

Inviting the class to the meeting was Dr. Joy J. Johnson, Robeson County representative in the N.C. General Assembly.

The Kite Contest will be held April 16 in the parking lot beside Ty's Mini Mart on Union Chapel Road between the hours of 10 a.m. until 1 p.m.

Prizes will be awarded, and free ice c will be provided by Ty's Mini Mart.

More details will be given next week. For additional information, you may call Jaycees, Willie Harris, Jr. at 521-3282 of Robert Dean Revels at 521-3505.

# MAYOR AND COUNCILPLEASED WITH NEW DISTRICT COURT IN PEMBROKE

Said Mayor Reggle Strickland, "We're pleased with the legislation establishing our new district court. We wish to thank Senator Luther Britt and the other members of the house for their assistance in getting the necessary legislation passed in the N.C. General Assembly."

Pembroke councilman, Milton Hunt, who made the district court one of his campaign promises, also expressed pleasure. Said Hunt, "Pembroke, like all the other towns of similar size, should have its own court. It will be beneficial to our law enforcement officials as well as our citizens who, before now, have always had to travel unreasonable distances to go to take care of business at the district court level, whether it was to appear as a witness, a petitioner, or to pay a speeding ticket."

The court is expected to be operational by July 1, and will be in session one day a week

# VINE DELORIA, JR. TO APPEAR AT LRDA

Al LNDA Janie M. Locklear, director of LRDA's Indian Education Project announced today that Vine Deloria, Jr., the famous Indian author, will make a special appearance in Pembroke April 20.

Deloria, a Sioux, is the author of "Custer Died For Your Sins," "God is Red" and other books dealing with the Indian experience. He is a former theologian and an attorney.

More details will appear in next week's issue of the Carolina Indian Voice.

He will be giving a lecture at LRDA's Annex building in Pembroke.