

Crop Insurance Available

Monday, April 11 is the last day for making application for a low-cost all-risk Federal Crop Insurance offered by the U.S. Department of Agriculture for the 1977 crop year. Applications must be made before planting time. Farmers are applying for this crop investment protection daily at the Federal Crop Insurance Office located at 400 E. 2nd Street in Lumberton.

In Robeson County, the tobacco guarantees for the 1977 crop year have again been considerably increased with no increase in cost of premium per hundred dollars. This all-risk Federal Crop Insurance is also available in Robeson County on cotton, corn and soy beans.

Tobacco growers who will be plowing harvesting their 1977 tobacco crop should check local agents for information on the special agreement made available on acreage meeting recommended combine harvesting requirements.

Those farmers who have active tobacco contracts already in force may give in their acreage and shares now by contacting the Federal Crop Insurance Office. This may be done by telephoning 739-3777. Those with active cotton, corn and soybean contracts may give the acreage report on these crops as soon as planting is completed.

The final date for taking applications for corn and cotton is April 15, and for soybeans, April 30; however, since new tobacco applications for the 1977 crop year will be taken through Monday, April 11, farmers will need to see about the crop right away, by contacting the local Federal Crop Insurance Office—400 E. 2nd Street, Lumberton—Telephone 739-3777.

PSU Coach Wins Track Medals



TRACK COACH Ed Crain of Pembroke State University with the medals he won in the Masters Track Meet last weekend at Raleigh.

PEMBROKE—Dr. Ed Crain, track and cross country coach at Pembroke State University, proved Friday and Saturday that even though 35 years old he has still got "it" as an athlete.

A former Carolinas Conference high jump champion, Crain took part in the Southeastern United States Masters Track and Field Championships at Raleigh in which competition was held for men up to the 7-74 age bracket.

Participating in the 35-39 age group, Crain won the pentathlon and thus a gold medal on Friday. The pentathlon consisted of five events. Crain's marks in each were: long jump—17-4; javelin 153 feet; 220—25.6; discus—113 feet; and 1500 meters—5:14.

On Saturday Crain continued in action, winning third place in two individual events: the javelin with a toss of 152 feet and the high jump with a leap of 5-3. For these, he won two bronze medals. "I hurt my back in the high jump, straining a muscle,"

Grad Plan at Wachovia

Until this year, college graduates leaving the campuses to enter the mainstream of the working society had little but their own initiative to help them overcome the financial burden of moving from student to wage earner.

The new graduate is usually faced with a number of expenses in relocating to a new job in a new city. Immediate needs such as rent and utility deposits, a source of transportation, and a wardrobe suitable to the working environment can't wait until the first paycheck arrives.

Recognizing the many new graduates have not had the opportunity or the resources to develop a full banking relationship or a credit rating, Wachovia Bank is offering a new program for college graduates called Grad Plan.

The plan includes a no service charge checking account, a savings account, overdraft protection, a banking card to guarantee checks and for use in Teller II, Wachovia's automated banking machine, and a Master Charge account. Simple interest loans are also available for major purchases such as automobiles.

"Our plan is designed to ease the transition from campus life to career life," said H.L. Lentz.

manager for Wachovia in Maxton. "It removes the traditional difficulties of establishing credit for the first time."

The Wachovia Grad Plan is open to graduates of accredited colleges and universities who apply during the year in which they receive their degree, and who will live or work in one of the 74 North Carolina cities served by Wachovia. They must have accepted a full-time job with a minimum salary of \$7,200, and can not have an unfavorable credit history. There is no cost for participation in the plan.

"We feel this is a much needed plan and believe that it will meet all of the graduates' initial needs," said Mr. Lentz. "In addition to overdraft protection the reserve funds make extra cash available for bills, emergencies or special purchases. The credit card give the flexibility to charge items when needed, and the automated banking machines make banking services available anytime day or night."

"The plan is tailored to individual needs and pocketbooks. Participating graduates can develop a firm financial base right from the beginning that will stand them in good stead throughout their lives," said Mr. Lentz.

INDIAN EDUCATION IN ROBESON COUNTY AND ELSEWHERE

by Bruce Barton

Editor's note: This is the second part of a continuing series on Indian education in Robeson County and elsewhere. Last week we gave a little background on the national level, detailing how the program began and what the program was designed to do.

\$59,349.26 at Prospect School to a low of \$3,071.91 at Proctorville.

Indian students enrolled for the high to Proctorville's low Indian enrollment of 50 Indian students.

The monies are allotted to schools based on the number of Indian students enrolled.

The first discerning thing one notices is that Indian Education is big business.

In the first year (1973-1974 school year) Prospect had 966

More next week when we explore Indian Education further.

This week we'll look a little bit at the Robeson County Administrative School Unit, the second largest Indian Education Program in America, second only to a school unit in Gallup, New Mexico.

INDIAN EDUCATION IS BIG BUSINESS IN ROBESON

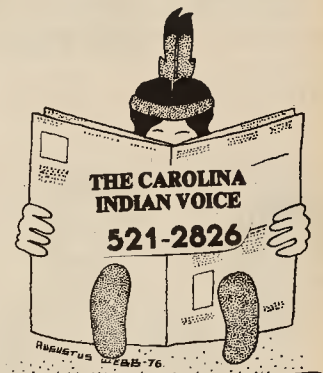
Indian Education officially came to the Robeson County Administrative School Unit in the school year, 1973, 1974. That first year, the school unit received \$463,059.44 with a head count of 7,537 students. 25 schools took part in the program with each school establishing its own priorities, subject only to a 40 member parent committee. Each school essentially runs an autonomous program in Indian Education.

Assistant Superintendent Albert Hunt is officially in charge of the program in his role as superintendent in charge of federal program. The Indian Education Coordinator is Governor Barnes, a former school principal in the county school unit. Carolyn Oxendine is the bookkeeper.

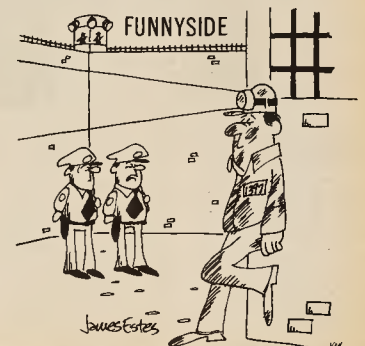
The personnel listed above basically administer the program in its entirety. They are responsible for the day to day operation and supervision of the program county wide.

Red Springs Commissioner, Bobby Dean Locklear, is the chairman of the 40 member parent's committee.

The amount allotted to each school in its first year of operation ran, from a high of



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Indian Maid Manufacturing Company featured on radio

Indian Maid Manufacturing Company of Pembroke was featured on the radio program OFILE over station WPTF in Raleigh, Sunday, April 3, 1977, 5:15 p.m.

Earlie D. Maynor, President of Indian Maid Manufacturing Company was interviewed by Annie Hood, Profile reporter, the 15-minute program.

Following the broadcast, Indian Maid Manufacturing Company received a Profile Award from WPTF and Blue Cross and Blue Shield of North Carolina, sponsor of the program, for its outstanding contribution to the industrial growth and development of North Carolina. The citation was

signed by Thomas A. Rose, president of Blue Cross and Blue Shield of North Carolina, and by Carl V. Venters, Jr., president and general manager, for WPTF Radio Company.

The Profile Award was presented to Indian Maid Manufacturing Company by Ralph Brake, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of North Carolina's representative in the Lumberton Service Office.

The purpose of these broadcasts is to assist in the campaign to attract new industry to North Carolina and to develop greater public appreciation of business and industry already located in the state.

Help for handicapped children

Parents of handicapped children south central North Carolina now receive help from a new project called Direction Services. The project is funded by a grant from the Bureau of Education for the Handicapped of the U.S. Office of Education to the Department of Public Instruction of the Robeson County Schools.

The project provides specialists to answer questions about educational, medical, and vocational services available to handicapped children from birth through age 21 years.

Headquartered at the Robeson County Schools Administrative Offices in Lumberton, the project serves an 11-county area which includes Montgomery, Lee, Moore, Harnett, Richmond, Lenoir, Cumberland, Scotland, Robeson, Bladen, and Columbus counties.

Parents of handicapped children who would like to receive help should write the Regional Support and Technical Assistance Center, Robeson County Schools, P.O. Box 1328, Lumberton, or call 739-7338-9624 or CARELINE toll free 1-800-662-7030.

Migrant teachers attend conference

Five teachers of students in the Migrant Education Program at the Robeson County School System attended the Eighth Annual Eastern Regional Migrant Education Conference which was held in Atlanta, Georgia on March 16-18.

Activities were conducted for Migrant Education coordinators, teachers, and aides who work with migrant children during the regular school term and summer sessions. Teaching techniques which are especially effective in working with migrant children were discussed and some consideration was given to the improvement of supporting services such as health assistance for migrant children.

Attending from the county-unit were Robert McGirt, Furman Brewer, Vivian Esters, Paulette Deese and Linda Justice.

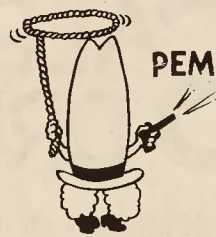
At the present there are 404 students enrolled in the Migrant Education Program at the County School Unit. Seven teachers and two aides provide tutorial services, especially in reading and mathematics, in the program. A summer program which will last eight weeks is now being planned.

Pembroke Recreation Dept. to have plate sale

Recreation Department is planning a chicken and barbecue plate sale on April 15, 1977 from 11-6 at the Pembroke Fire Department.

Plates will be \$2.00 and the funds will be used to buy a pitching machine and batting cage for the little league teams.

Pre-registration is required and participation is limited to parents of exception children only.



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Division of Exceptional children schedule conferences

Eight regional conferences are being planned for Saturday, May 7, 1977 by the Division for Exceptional Children, State Department of Public Instruction. The conferences are scheduled in each educational district to allow parents to learn about services directly available to their handicapped children. General sessions and small group meetings will focus on (1) state and federal legislation and what it guarantees to handicapped children, (2) early detection of learning problems, (3) regional and community resources and (4) ways for coping with handicapped children.

Lunch and a \$10.00 compensation will be provided for each parent participant. Deadline for pre-registration is April 20, 1977. For additional information and pre-registration information contact: Conferences, Division for Exceptional Children, State Department of Public Instruction, Raleigh, NC 27611, or Wade C. Hunt at Pembroke Elementary School.

SPRING QUARTER EVENING SCHEDULE

(Occupational Education)

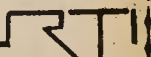
COURSE	LOCATION	DATES
Furniture Refinishing	Fairmont Housing Authority	04-13/06-20
Furniture Refinishing	Lumberton Sheltered Workshop	04-13/06-20
Upholstery	Pembroke Junior High School	04-13/06-20
Blueprint Reading for Construction Trades	Robeson Tech.	04-12/06-16
Ground School for Private Pilots	Robeson Tech.	04-12/08-02
National Electric Code for Class I Special License	Robeson Tech.	04-13/05-18
Nurses Assistant	Robeson Tech.	04-12/07-12
Radio & TV Repair	Robeson Tech.	04-12/06-20
Refrigeration & Air Conditioning	Robeson Tech.	04-12/06-16
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