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MORE ON VINE DELORIA, JR.

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VINE DELORIA, outstanding Sioux Indian writer and author from Colorado, addresses audience at Pembroke State University.

Vine Deloria, author, commentator, lawyer, is shown in an appearance before students at Pembroke State University where he lambasted the BIA saying "you don't want them here" and lauded the Lumbees.

government like Brantley Blue, Indian Claims Commissioner; Helen Scheirbeck, former director of Indian Education for HEW (Department of Health, Education and Welfare); and Purnell Swett, former program manager of Indian Education for HEW and now associate superintendent of Robeson County schools.

Deloria, a Standing Rock Sioux, who wrote the best selling "Custer Died For Your Sins," "God Is Red" and other books, spent two days in the Pembroke area. He was in Chapel Hill earlier as a guest of the Indian students there during American Indian Week.

Deloria suggested during his talk that youthful Lumbees model themselves after such men and women. "Those people are highly respected around the country for their contributions to American society," said Deloria.

He appeared earlier Thursday at Pembroke Senior High School before some 1200 Indian students from area schools and Wednesday night appeared at the Annex Building of Lumbee Regional Development Association (LRDA).

Deloria's trip to Pembroke was coordinated by LRDA's Indian Education Project. Mrs. Janie M. Locklear, a personal friend of Deloria, is project director. His appearance on campus was sponsored by The American Indian Studies Department and the American Indian Student Association.

There also was a reception in his honor Thursday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Barton where he stayed while in the Pembroke area. Barton is editor of The Carolina Indian Voice.

PEMBROKE--The NAIA District 29 baseball tournament begins Thursday (today) at Pembroke State University with games at 5 p.m. and 8 p.m.

Deloria said the Pembroke area has a unique opportunity. "You have 50,000 Indians who have been fiercely independent all their lives. This is an ideal spot. I believe great emphasis should be put on your American Indian Studies program," the Indian scholar said. "You have a tremendous leader in Adolph Dial, chairman of the PSU American Indian Studies Department. I'd like to come back in 4-5 years and see this as a top center for American Indian Studies."

Favored Atlantic Christian (23-13) faces Norfolk State (15-10) in the first game, and Pembroke State (15-17) takes on Campbell (19-15) in the second.

Tickets are \$2 for adults and \$1 for high school students. Elementary school children and below will be admitted free.

Mid-way of the Pembroke game a '66 Mercury will be raffled off to the lucky ticket holder.

Deloria praised other Lumbees in

Gene Locklear Featured On CBS Reports: The Baseball Business

Gene Locklear, the local hero of many Indian youth, and other sports enthusiasts in Robeson County, appeared on national television Tuesday night. He was one of the major league baseball players queried about their relationship with the baseball hierarchy.

Gene, a Lumbee Indian, who resides in the off-season with his mother in the Mt. Airy community, expressed disgruntlement with baseball and his inability to find a permanent place on a major league roster.

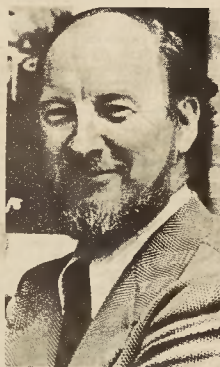
Gene appeared on CBS Reports: The Baseball Business and was filmed during spring training with the New York Yankees. Citing his pride and his devotion to baseball, his .271 life time batting average and his high of .321 with the San Diego Padres two years ago, Gene affirmed that he would not go down to the minor leagues.

An outfielder, Gene found himself on a team rich in outfielders this year with the likes of Roy White, Reggie Jackson, Mickey Rivers, Paul Blair, Jimmy Wynn and others.

The program was hosted by Bill Moyers, a CBS correspondent and Gene was shown painting during the interview. A noted artist, Gene said that he would not have to paint so much if he were paid a more equitable salary.

Gene is one of the many players seemingly hurt by the changing face of baseball. He was picked up by the New York Yankees at the tailend of last season and was farmed out to Syracuse at the end of Spring Training this season. After mulling it over for a few days at home, Gene has reported to Syracuse, a Triple A Farm Club and is reportedly working his way back to the major leagues where his many fans affirm he rightfully belongs.

USC's Dr. George Curry to Speak at PSU's Commencement



DR. GEORGE CURRY ... PSU Commencement Speaker

PEMBROKE--Dr. George Curry, who holds four top-level positions currently at the University of South Carolina, will be the guest speaker for Pembroke State University's commencement exercises Sunday, May 8, it has been announced by PSU Chancellor English E. Jones.

Dr. Curry serves as university secretary, executive assistant to the president, secretary of the USC Board of Trustees and also Professor Emeritus of History.

The commencement begins at 2 p.m. and will be held in PSU's Performing Arts Center, which seats 1,700.

Dr. Curry, a naturalized American and an alumnus of USC, has served as senior aide to USC President William H. Patterson since 1974. He came to USC from England on a post-war fellowship in 1946 as a graduate student in history. He had studied previously at the universities of Paris and London and had served as a staff officer for over six years in the British Army.

After receiving a master's degree at USC, he joined the faculty and rose through the academic ranks to become a tenured professor of history. He holds a Ph D degree from the University of Chicago.

Dr. Curry's scholarly activities included visiting professorships at Oxford University and at the University of Adelaide, South Australia. Dr. Curry also worked with the late Secretary of State James F. Byrnes on the planning and writing of the latter's memoirs, contributed to a volume on Byrnes in the "American Secretaries of State and their Diplomacy Series," and has written numerous articles on British Victorian and social history.

In 1964, Dr. Curry left USC to go to Charter Professor of History to a developing new college in Sarasota, Fla., but was invited back a year later to assist Dr. Patterson, then dean of the University and later provost.

Dr. Curry served as an administrator for five years before taking early retirement. During this time, he wrote and edited several paperback volumes, worked with Delbert Mann on film production, and became a director of Communications Programs International, New York.

In Columbia, S.C., Dr. Curry has been associated with a wide range of cultural activities, notably the Town Theatre, and was the founder of the Columbia Fine Film Committee.

He is married to the former Jane Guignard Thompson of Columbia, S.C.

Warrior Rifles Lose Shoot Out

The Warrior Rifles lost in a rifle match against Reid Ross High School on Wednesday, April 6th. The score in the match, held at Reid Ross, was 1046 to 891. High scorer for Pembroke was Lawrence Malcolm with 194, followed by Debbie Hammonds with 189, Hazel McGirt-174, Bruce Scott-172, and Juanita Stickland, 162. High scorer for Reid Ross was William Blvd with 227.

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RENNETT TO INCORPORATE

The North Carolina General Assembly has tentatively approved a bill that will provide for the incorporation of Rennett, a town in Robeson County.

Under the legislation proposed by Rep. Horace Locklear, the bill will define the town's boundaries, authorize a five member council and provide for non-partisan staggered elections of the council. The bill prohibits the levying of taxes until 1978-79.

REP. JOY J. JOHNSON BLASTS LACK OF MINORITY ADMINISTRATORS AT COMMUNITY COLLEGES AND TECHNICAL INSTITUTES

Rep. Joy J. Johnson said Tuesday he is considering seeking legal action against the Department of Community Colleges and Technical Institutions because the proportion of Black staffers lags behind the proportion of Black students.

"I decided to look at community colleges and technical institutes, knowing the tremendous enrollment of minorities. We're concerned about it, we're going to speak to it and there's a possibility of a class action suit," he said.

If a lawsuit is filed, he said, it would be through the NAACP (National Association for the Advancement of Colored People).

Johnson said his charges were based on data supplied by the N. C. Department of Public Instruction. He said he has received statistics on the number of Black staff members from all of the state's technical institutes and community colleges with the exception of Wake Technical Institute.

He said he may ask a Senate committee to subpoena that information from that Raleigh technical school.

"We're saying that the technical schools were originally instituted for deprived groups, Black, white and Indian. They still have a large enrollment from these groups," Johnson said.

"There are many qualified Blacks who could hold administrative jobs, but most of the Blacks (hired by the schools) hold janitorial and maintenance jobs."

Johnson also said he may seek legislation requiring that "administrators of institutions of higher education should reasonably reflect the composition of race and sex in the state."

He listed four technical institutes and community college which have no Black administrators, faculty members or other staff officials. They are Haywood Technical Institute, Stanley Technical Institute, Tri-County Technical Institute and Wilkes Community College.

Rep. Lara Tally (D-Cumberland), chairman of the House Higher Education Committee, said Tuesday that she was not previously heard any complaints on the hiring of Blacks in North Carolina community colleges and technical institutes.

According to Johnson's statistics, the number of white, Black and other top administrators, faculty members and staffers in the technical institutes and community colleges located in the Cape Fear Region are:

Bladen Technical Institute, 35 white, 3 Black, 4 Indian; Central Carolina Technical Institute, 102 White, 13 Black; Robeson Technical Institute, 57 white, 7 Blacks and 4 Indian; Southeastern Community College, 86 white, 2 Black; Sandhills Community College, 137 white, 12 Black; Sampson Technical Institute, 59 white, 14 Black; Johnson Technical Institute, 78 white and 6 Black; Fayetteville Technical Institute, 223 white, 22 Black, and 5 Asian, Indian and Hispanic.

SIXTEEN-YEAR-OLD MAKES HOLE IN ONE IN LUMBERTON

Joe Stroud made a hole-in-one at Meadowlark Golf Course located on Interstate 41 in Lumberton on Sunday at 7:25.

Joe is a 16-year-old Pembroke Senior High student. Said Joe in relating the feat. "I was on hole number 5. It was a par 3 at 145 yards. I used my five wood. When I hit my ball it went straight for the green. It hit bottom of the green and went in the hole. I had two witnesses playing golf with me. I am going to have my golf ball mounted."

SADDLETREE JAYCEES WRESTLE LEGISLATORS ON BASKETBALL COURT

It must have been fun. The Saddletree Jaycees (better known as the country boys) took on a team of legislators from the North Carolina General Assembly calling themselves "the Hotshots" in a spirited basketball game last night at the Magnolia High School gymnasium. The game was played to raise monies for the Saddletree Jaycees.

Rep. Joy J. Johnson has agreed to show up as coach and Rep. Horace Locklear (a founding member of the Saddletree Jaycees) avows that he is a roundballer of note. Other members of the legislative delegation were to include Reps. Richard Wrights, David Diamond, Robert Farmer, Jim Morgan, Mark Short, Ron Raynor, Henry Frye, Charles Holt, Charles Webb, Cass Ballinger, James McDuffie and possibly others.

One thing (or two...or three) for sure is that the game is for a good cause, the charitable activities of the Saddletree Jaycees. But charley horses and sprained ankles will be in vogue this morning...as sure as summer time.

A report on the round ballers will dutifully be reported on our next issue. We hope their efforts were successful and that Rep. Joy J. Johnson did not hurt himself overly much in his coaching debut.

INDEPENDENTS FACING NO VOTE IN PRIMARY

Robesonians registered with the county Board of Elections under the designations "independent" or "no party" may find themselves ineligible to vote in primary elections. According to a special memorandum issued by state elections director Alex K. Brock, persons with either of these two designations will automatically be presumed "unaffiliated" voters.

Persons who are currently registered as independent or no party will have their registrations automatically changed to unaffiliated unless they notify the Robeson County Board of Elections otherwise.

The local elections office is located in Lumberton on the second floor of the old Agriculture Building on Elm and Eighth Streets.

OXENDINE SCHOOL PLANS PLATE SALE

The annual spring fund-raising dinner will be held on Friday, April 29, 1977 at Oxendine Elementary School from 11:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. They will be serving chicken and bar-be-que for a price of \$2.00 per plate.

The faculty and staff and students are selling tickets, but you may purchase a plate without a ticket.

The proceeds from the plate sale will be used for the purchase of kindergarten playground equipment and instructional materials and equipment for regular classroom teachers. All monies received from the plate sale in excess of expenses will be spent for these projects, therefore, Oxendine School solicits your support.

WILMINGTON TEN COMMUNITY MEETING PLANNED

There will be a community meeting to discuss the "Wilmington Ten" Civil Rights Case at 7:30 p.m. on Friday night, May 6th, at the Presbyterian Church Building behind Central Auto Sales in Pembroke. In 1971, a minister, a poverty program worker, and eight high school students were arrested and convicted in Wilmington as a result of racial disturbances in the Wilmington Schools. Every important witness now claims that the prosecutor lured them into false testimony. Meanwhile, 9 of the 10 defendants are in prison and are awaiting a hearing to decide whether or not a new trial is in order. The post-conviction hearing will begin on May 9th in Burgaw, NC. The Wilmington Ten Case is one of the most important, historical civil rights cases in North Carolina.

The guest speaker at the Community Meeting will be Anne Mitchell, a North Carolina representative of the National Alliance Against Racial and Political Repression, an organization which has worked with many Indian and Black people in their struggle for justice.

A Prospect Honor Roll Head Start

There will be a Chicken Plate Sale Wednesday, May 4, 1977 at Pembroke Headstart Center (the VFW Building). The Plate Sale will begin at 11:00 a.m. and continue until 6:00 p.m. Price of the plates will be \$2.00 each.

Merit Award Winner In Insurance Field

The list of honor students for the third marking period has been released by James A. Jones, principal of Prospect High School.

Grade 12: Cheryl Brewer, Jimmy Bryant, Teressa Bryant, Bonita F. Bullard, Michael Chavis, Rose M. Clark, Sherrion Collins, Sabrina Hatcher, Kathy Hunt, Deborah Locklear, Lawrence Locklear, Orlando Locklear, Audrey McGirt, Harry L. McMillian, Luther Moore, Wendy C. Moore, Shelia Oxendine, Shelia K. Revels, Delton Waltman, and Linda C. Woods.

Grade 11: Dwayne Bryant, Mary L. Bullard, Tenita Bullard, Lorna V. Chavis, Brenda J. Collins, Naomi Dial, Tara Ann Dial, Dwight Harris, Alfreda Jones, Bobby D. Jones, Cherry Lee, Donna K. Locklear, June C. Locklear, Linda G. Locklear, Lorna A. Locklear.

Bobby Locklear, Pembroke, an Independent insurance representative, has been honored as a 1977 Merit Award Winner by the board of Time Insurance Company, Milwaukee-based life and health insurer.

This year 488 of Time's 4,100 Independent agencies qualified for the award, according to W. E. Jordens, Senior Vice President and Director of Marketing. The Merit Award is presented annually to those agents who have shown exceptional ability in the areas of service to clients, product knowledge and sales activity during the previous year.

Time Insurance Company organized in 1892, is represented in 45 states and the District of Columbia.

An Editor's Note

INDIAN EDUCATION IN ROBESON COUNTY AND ELSEWHERE

Editor's Note: I'll tell you the truth: I got caught up in Vine Deloria, Jr. and spent as much time as possible with the mon. He has a lot to say and I wanted to hear as much of it as possible.

Afterall, one does not get an opportunity to meet a real "died in the wood", flesh and blood hero but every so often.

Consequently, Indian Education in Robeson County and elsewhere will be continued next week. Any ideas on the subject? Write or call us.

Bruce Barton, Editor THE CAROLINA INDIAN VOICE

MRS. GRACE EPPS, ADOLPH DIAL NOMINATED

The N. C. General Assembly is expected to name their final 10 as members of the UNC-Board of Governors today. Mrs. Grace S. Epps, from the Saddletree Community and a retired educator; and Adolph Dial, head of PSU's Indian Studies Department from the Pembroke area, both made the list of 27 nominations for 10 seats that are vacant on the UNC-Board of Governors.

Mrs. Epps was nominated to fill one of three slots allotted to women on the board. She's been nominated for a two year term. Dial, if confirmed, would serve an eight year term.

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PSU ALUMNI AWARDS BANQUET SET

PEMBROKE--The annual spring Pembroke State University alumni awards banquet and fund-raising banquet will be held Saturday evening, May 7, in the PSU D.F. Lowry Student Center. It is sponsored by the PSU Alumni Association.

Following the banquet a dance for alumni will be held at the Pembroke Jaycee Hut beginning at 10 p.m.

A reception will be held at the student center beginning at 6 p.m. with the banquet following at 7 p.m. During the reception, entertainment will be provided by the PSU "Swingers and Singers."

Wayne Bailey, director of alumni affairs at Pembroke State University, says he hopes for the same excellent response as at the winter alumni banquet in January. "Not only is this spring meeting a fund-raising dinner, it is the time when the Alumni Association pays special recognition and appreciation to an 'Outstanding Alumnus' with a plaque and also honors with a 'Distinguished Alumni Award' an individual who has contributed greatly to the cause of Pembroke State University," said Bailey.

The PSU Alumni Affairs Office is distributing tickets to representatives in the area. Tickets may also be purchased by telephone or writing the Alumni Affairs Office at PSU. The phone number is (919) 521-4214, Ext. 252.

Tickets for the banquet are \$25 per couple or \$12.50 per person.



DR. ROBERT W. REISING (left), professor of Communicative Arts at Pembroke State University, receives a special 1977 PSU student yearbook as the person to whom the Senior Class

and yearbook staff dedicated this year's yearbook. Making the presentation are Chancellor English E. Jones and Teresa Bird, yearbook editor.