

AS I SEE IT Bruce Barton



READERS RESPOND TO MY COLUMN LAST WEEK

Race is a sensitive issue. And I probably am not very good at writing about it. I probably am not intellectually sound enough to write about the sociological riddles found therein. I probably should quit trying.

Last week I allowed myself the latitude of talking in print about Rev. Bob Mangum's appointment to Prospect United Methodist Church, the symbolism of it, etc. Mangum is white. And I attempted feebly to write out loud about what it means sociologically. I did not, according to reader response, handle the subject very well.

One lady told me I should keep "my sociological thoughts to myself." In retrospect I agree with her. I can only say that my intentions were good. I'want Robesonians to talk about racism out loud until we understand it When a problem is analyzed and understood it makes solving the problem casier

But I was wrong to express an opinion about the matter. It is a spiritual matter anyway, or it should be. As the lady said, "We just wanted the best possible pastor ... race had nothing to do with it.

As I said last week, Prospect United Methodist Church could not, as I see it, have a better spiritual shepherd than Rev. Bob Mangum.

Anyway, my father called me too. He did not like the article either. Said/ my father, "We should praise those like Bob Mangum who have practiced brotherhood in its fullest sense."

I agree. And as I told my father. "Heck, it's easy for me to say, I'm sorry." And if I offended anyone by my thinking out loud last week, then I apologize profusely. In my defense I believe what I was trying to say was misunderstood. I really do admire and respect Bob Mangum. Really,

Rev. Bob Mangum and Prospect United Methodist Church have my prayers. Maybe they can help the rest of us bridge the gap that now separates races, ideologies and churches.

BUT LAST WEEK WAS NOT ALL STICKS AND STONES AND CRITICISM. I MET MIZ MARY LAST. WEEK TOO ...

Miz Mary is the late Harry West Locklear's widow. She recently retired from teaching at Magnolia School and makes her home in Pembroke.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Reader sees Lumber River as Nature Spot

Dear Sir:

She called me

We are owners of the River

View Bait Shop on Route 2 .

Maxton. We love Lumber

River and make our living by

selling bait on the banks of the

river. Let Mr. rich Bill Kebort

take his fancy boat to the beach and leave some of nature alone.

People

About 6 months ago I was

nformed by a co- worker that

the Indian Museum of the

Carolinas, located in Laurin-

burg, North Carolina, had on

display the skeletal remains of

some of our Indian ancestors.

Needless to say, I was infuri-

ated. I thought to myself,

"There is nothing in the

Creation to match the arro-

gance and audacity of our

white neighbors." But then I

realized that it was an archae-

ologist who was responsible

for this, and my surprize

diminished, only to be replac-

ed with controlled anger.

Controlled because archaeolo-

gists must be approached with

caution and not emotion warp-

ed anger. Lest the attacker

himself be studied, catalogued

and excavated into oblivion, a

demise that is surely as bad as

I immediately wrote a de-

manding letter, reminding Dr.

David McLean of the manner

in which the Indian people of

the area had joined together

and had the Indian bones that

were on display at Town Creek

Mound removed. I said a few

other things also, but they

would not necessarily make for

good family reading. I subse-

quently visited his museum

and had quite a discussion

with him. He informed me that

there was absolutely nothing

wrong with the display, and

that my vehement distaste for

it steemed from a white

ideology. I stated that I had

not come to cackle about

ideologies or religions, I had

come to see the bones remov-

ed, for this form of archae-

ological arrogance was no

longer to be tolerated. After a

time I realized that it was quite

impossible for me to convince

him that what he was doing

was indeed sacrilegious, so I

suggested a compromise. I

stated that medical schools

any yet known to man.

Katle Lee Barton Bracy Jones, Jr. Maxton, NC 28364

Probably most people know that Harry West Locklear and I did not always agree on things politically. We never really got to know each other because the politics always kept us separated. We never had a conversation. We never talked about the weather.

That's sort of what Miz Mary was calling me about. Said she, "You know, life goes on. And I don't believe you ever really knew the real Harry...how he loved people ... and how he helped people. He was really a good man., and I would like for you to come out to my home and take a picture of this wall I have fixed up of all his plaques and honors he received during his lifetime ... honors and things that did not bring him any money either.

Well, the gesture just touched my heart. And, of course, I went. The nictures are part of this article.

And I enjoyed talking to her so very much. She is a wonderful woman. And Lagree: I did not know Harry West Locklear. I wish I had taken the time to talk to him, really talk to him. If Miz Mary said he was a wonderful man ... well, my inclination is to agree with her.

Mr. Locklear was killed in an automobile accident on January 3, 1976. he was 61 years old he left to mourn his passing, besides Miz Mary, 2 daughters. Miz Mary said his favorite saying and what he build his life around was the following poem:

We are all blind Until we see That in the human plan Nothing is worth the making If it doesn't make the man. Why build these cities glorious If man unbuilded goes? In voin we build the world Unless the builder also grows.

Locklear served on many boards and organizations. He was president of the Pembroke Chamber of Commerce when he was killed. He also served many years on the Robeson County Board of Education and as a member PSU's board of trustees. He was a busy man and as an editorial in The Robesonian noting his passing said, "An Influential Citizen.

> Influential Citizen An automobile accident has brought a sudden the carver of Harry West Locklear, a chart client stimen long active in public Destination and memory Locklear site had positions of responsibility in his home town memory, is chief of the Peenbroke Fire memory members of the Peenbroke Fire memory members of the Robeson County of Researcher, and member of the board of out of Penbroke State University. There are a said a time when cooperation member way at a time when cooperation of the Robeson the second field of the second state University. and political st ed. He did take ve of his race. His with people - he own, and to in this area. He came to be which Locklear grew up. Its was If as it was, and take part in many state came shout. He was a man to

Some thoughts on The Indian Museum of the Carolinas

> and suppliers have plastic bones that can be purchased and that they would serve his purpose just as well, which in essence is to show the manner in which our people were burled, and with the purchase of the imitation bones, he would be relieved to know that the crusade I was about to instigate against his museum would be avoided also. At this point he realized that my idea was not so bad after all.

I visited the museum about a month later and nothing had changed. I was disappointed, but he assured me that it was just a matter of time. I could understand that, so I allowed him some additional time.

I returned home a few weeks later and went to the museum for what was to be my last peaceful visit. I was pleased not to see the bones. or even the imitations for that matter. As Dr. McLean was not there, I was not able to discover what had become of the remains, though I will check at a later date.

Even though I was unfortunately not able to sensitize Dr. McLean to the reasoning behind my desire to have the bones removed, I am now convinced that with tactful pressure, even the staunchest archaeologist will compromise.

In conclusion, with the exception of this instance, and the wording under an Iroquois False Face Mask, the Indian Museum of the Carolinas is a very good museum and now I too will be an advocate for its continuance and growth, and urge all Indians to visit it and learn more about their history.

> In beauty & balance, Karonhiawakon David Wilkins

A letter from 16-Member Council Board

We are organizing for Federal Recognition as Congress requested us to do for Federal we Recognition. We do exist as an Indian tribe. The historical facts are coming to light and we do letters

make it a fully established tribe by law. Just in a couple of months will receive federal recogntion as an existing tribe. All of you who are receiving from federal the

New **PSU** Faculty

PEMBROKE - New faculty members will receive their orientation Friday, Aug. 25, as the first step to beginning the new academic year at Pembroke State University. Their orientation will begin at 9 a.m. in the Board Room in Sampson Hall Administration Building This will kick off a series of curtain-raising event pertinent to the beginning of the fall semester.

On Sunday, Aug. 27, university dormitories will be open from 1-5 p.m. for freshmen and transfer students. Upperclassmen can also come in that Sunday.

On Sunday evening beginning at 6 p.m., Dr. English E. Jones, beginning his final year as chancellor of the university, will host the department chairpersons for their annual pre-school dinner in the chancellor's Dining Room at the university cafeteria.

Orientation for freshman and transfer students is scheduled at 9 a.m. Monday, Aug. 28, in the PSU Performing Arts Center. Dr. Jones will welcome the students, and there will be briefings by other department personnel

At 10 a.m. on that Monday, Dr. Jones will meet with the entire PSU faculty in Moore Hall Auditorium for their annual pre-school assembly. This will also be an emotional event for him because he usually gives a "state of the university" address at this meeting. It will be his last such talk.

Student registration is Wednesday and Thursday, Aug. 30-31, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Auxiliary Gymnasium of the Jones Health and Physical Education Center. On Aug. 30 upperclassmen register. On Aug. 31 registration will be held for freshmen, transfer students and readmissions.

Continuing Education Division (CED) students will register Tuesday, Aug. 29, beginning at 7 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. in Sampson Hall Administration Building.

A series of special treats for the students have been arranged by the Office of Student Affairs. A wiener roast is scheduled at 5 p.m. Monday, Aug. 28, in the university quadrangle with a disco set in the evening at 8:30 p.m. in the

Thursday, August 24, 1978 **ACCORDING TO** SCRIPTURE EVANGELIST TED BROOKS

GOD IS OUR REFUGE AND STRENGTH

And when the south wind blew softly supposing that they had obtained their purpose, loosing from there, they sailed close by Crete. Acts 27:13.

People are much the same today as they were when Paul preached the word here in the Book of Acts, the 27th chapter. If you read closely, Paul warned these people (Julius) that there would be a loss with injury and much damage not only of the cargo and ship, but also their lives. Verse 10.

But the people had only one thought in mind and it was hate. Paul was to be punished. They thought once they got Paul before Caesar that Paul's ministry would be over. But my friend, the enemy was blind. God had already spoken to Paul and told him to be of good cheer. He said, Paul, for as thou hast testified of me in Jerusalem, so must thou bear witness also at Rome. Acts 23:11.

Men had already taken an oath to kill Paul. They were not to eat or drink until Paul was dead. Acts 23:12. Did you know that there are people today who have taken an oath to kill and destroy God's followers? Do you know there are people today who call professing themselves Christians who are set by Satan to hinder the word of God? You say, brother, where are they? They're sitting in the church. Where else? Satan doesn't worry about a beer joint or a bar. He knows eventually they destroy one another. But the church is what Jesus said would stand. Jesus told Peter all the devils in hell would not prevail over his church. And ever since then, Satan has been busy trying to make God out a liar. When Jesus preached that the kingdom of heaven was at hand and that Christians would sell all they had to enter, Jesus referred to it as a treasure hidden in a field. But while the Christian slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat. And went his way. Matthew 13:25. And

now you wonder why people So, let's say together: Devil, I in the church don't heed God's charge you in the name of word. Amen. Come on say Jesus Christ of Nazareth. I amen. This is the word. Paul claim victory in Jesus Christ oreached and worned the my Lord. I refuse to be moved people that there would be by your winds and by your a loss of cargo and the ship se doctrines. I believe and also of lives. Acts 27:10. To those Do you know so-called Christians that are like that? Their children are being killed, murdered and killing each other. And yet they want their preacher to still preach smooth things. So Paul preached and said if you don't hold up this ship, people are going to be lost. But the Bible tells in the 13th chapter verse a soft wind blew. Amen. You see, something soft blew and they all loaded up and said let's go, supposing they abstained softly. had Christians like that today. They ae unstable, tossed to and fro. Thomas 1:8 called them double-minded people, unstable in all their ways. But they speak smooth things, things which will move you like these people. Satan brought about a soft wind out of the east and because it came from the east they thought it was of God. But you read in the 14th verse, not long after they were out in the waters it became tempestuous. Paul 2:17. said it was so rough, that they had to work hard to secure

the boat. Paul said they used helps undergirding ship and fearing least they should fail into the guick sand. You see, because of a soft wind these peoples' lives were at a loss and the Bible said they had to unload the ship of its tackling. Verse 18. My friend, when Satan fools you to go against God's people you are going to lose something. There is going to be a loss and somebody will suffer for it. But the message which I

want to share with you Christians is this. Hold on. Don't be blown about with soft preaching and don't be afraid of his rough waters. Glory to God, when the water is rising we are not going under. But praise God, we are going over. Through many dangers, toils and snares I aiready have come Hallelujah. I was once lost but now I am found, praise the Lord, Paul said when neither sun nor stars in many days appear, and no water lays on us, all hope that we should be saved were lost. Verse 20. Brother, the sun may never shine. We may seem to be alone and there is no hope. but be of good cheer. Paul spoke of an angel which stood by him. And if Paul had an angel and he did, we also which are Jesus Christ's followers have an angel which stands by us night and day. We don't stand by the stars, not by water or the sun, but if it is the word of God which so stands. Someone wrote a song once and said standing on the promises I cannot fail. Listening every moment to the spirit call. Resting in my saviour as my all in all. Now wherefore sirs be of good cheer for I have believed God, Verse 25.

Do you believe God? Do you take him for his word? Then you are in the arms of love. David said in Psalms 46:2 therefore, I will not fear, though the earth be removed and the mountain be carried into the midst of the sea. David said we are pople like a tree planted by the waters. We shall not be moved.

This editorial appeared in The Robesonian following his untimely death. Mr. Locklear was an influential citizen.



Some of the many honors received in Harry West Locklear's lifetime are shown on a wall in the home of his widow, Mrs. Mary Locklear.



Dale Brooks with ST. PAULS CALLING

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We heard from Mr. James E. Hammonds this week. He lists his address as R.D. 3, Box 3333, Hagerstown, Maryland 21740. Mr. Hammonds is in prison. He is serving a sentence of 20 years and has been in prison for more than three years. Mr. Hammonds said in his letter. "I'ld like to correspond with someone. Would you please publish my address or if there is a

Reader wishes to Correspond

correspondence list please place my name on it." Prison is a lonely place. Mr. Hammonds, who said in his letter he attended Fairgrove School, wrote, "I'll go up for parole February of next year. Hopefully something will work out good for me ... It really would be a joyful thing to be back home again. I also want to get into the flowing stream of making Carolina a better place for the Indian way of life ...

Mr. Hammonds' address is as follows: MR. JAMES E. HAMMONDS R.D. 3, Box 1111 Hagerstown, Maryland 217 ()

have proof that we can go back to 1710. It is time to face the facts that this tribe does exist as an Indian tribe as Congress of the nights United States has submitted today. And we do have an Act of

Congress of 1888. As the House The of Representatives is fixing to

> **Community Watch Program Planned**

Dear Fellow Citizens:

Interested citizens in the Pembroke area are in the process of forming a Community Watch Program. of the The purpose Community Watch is to make us aware of the steps we can take to make our homes more secure against burglary, to show us how neighbors can help each other protect our entire neighborhood and to make our local law enforcement agency more effective in its fight against crime through OUL Involvement and participation.



government are urged to come to Hodgin Dial's Building on the Old Maxton Road on Friday

> 16-Member Council Board

There will be an informative Community Watch meeting at

7:30 p.m. Sept. 14, 1978 at the Maynor Manor meeting room. I would like to invite oil citizens interested in Community Watch to attend. There will be a representative from the Governor's Office of Citizen Affairs present to explain how Community Watch operates.

Hope to see you there!

Sincerely yours, Vernon Oxendine, Chief of Police, Pembroke, NC

Lowry Student Center. A free ice cream event is on tap from 1-3 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 29, in front of the PSU Student Center, sponsored by the Office of Campus Ministry. A dance will be held Thursday, Aug. 31, beginning at 8 p.m. in the Lowry Student Center.

Classes begin Friday, Sept. 1, but students will have a long weekend that first weekend with the Labor Day holiday Monday, Sept. 4.

Top Ten Country

Best-selling Country-Western records of the week based on Cashbox Magazine's nationwide survey: 1. "Talking in Your Sleep,"

Crystal Gayle 2. "You Needed Me," Anne

Murray 3. "When I Stop Leaving," **Charley Pride**

4. "We Belong Together," Susie Allanson 5. "Rake and Ramblin' Man," Don Williams

6. "From Seven Till Ten," Lynn & Twitty

7. "Rose Colored Glasses,"

John Conlee

8. "Boogie Grass Band," **Conway Twitty**

9. "I'll Find It Where I Can," Jerry Lee Lewis

10. "You Don't Love Me

Anymore," Eddle Rabbit

Christ, I am serve Jesus speaking to sinners who have never confessed. Jesus said come unto me all ye that labour and are heavy laden and I will give your rest. Take my yoke unto you and learn of me for I am meek and lowly in heart and ye shall find rest unto your soul. Matthew 11:28-30. You see, when the end of

who refuse to

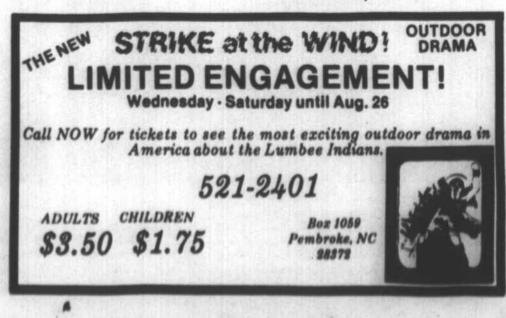
your journey comes, you can say I have lived for Christ. So now to die is gain. And to not live for Jesus will be damnation to the soul. It will be horrible to live in an outer darkness. I am not trying to scare you into God's kingdom. I am saying this to all people whether they be Black, White, Red or Yellow, short, tall, thin, skinny or fat, every man will receive his reward and it will be according to his works. Revelation 13:14. Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead being alone. James

Yours in Christ.

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