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RALPH HUNT FINED \$10,000; HOWARD OXENDINE \$5,000; CHARLES HUNT \$2,500;

barred from warehouse activities for 3 years; also 5 years probation



Ralph Hunt

receiving stolen tobacco in state court. That trial is scheduled to begin Sept. 8.

In addition Ralph Hunt faces two separate charges of driving under the influence and transporting an alcoholic beverage with the seal broken. Hunt was arrested twice Saturday, at the time of his first arrest he was charged with carrying an unsealed alcoholic beverage.

THE SENTENCES...

W. Earl Britt placed each man under five years probation, with their sentences suspended for the life of the

probation. Britt also barred the men from operating a warehouse for three years, beginning January 1, 1981. He seemingly set back the time frame so that the warehouse could finish up its present tobacco season.

Ralph Hunt was fined \$10,000; Howard Oxendine was fined \$5,000; and Charles Hunt was fined \$2,500. Additionally, each man was required to pay back the cost of the 15 sheets of tobacco which were stolen. The amount comes to \$1,444.04 each. The money will be refunded via the clerk of court's office to the two farmers the tobacco was stolen from.

Governor Hunt proclaims Indian Heritage Week

Gov. James B. Hunt, Jr. has proclaimed the week of September 20-26 as Indian Heritage Week in North Carolina.

statewide attention to the long history and tradition of Tar Heel Indians.

Fayetteville-Judge W. Earl Britt sentenced Ralph Hunt, Howard Oxendine and Charles Hunt Wednesday afternoon after the three Robeson County Indians were found guilty last Friday of illegally identifying and marketing tobacco.

Statewide and local activities, which will call attention to the history and contribution of N.C. Indians, are planned for the week, according to A. Bruce Jones, executive director of the N.C. Commission of Indian Affairs, which is coordinating the week's activities. The commission, in the N.C. Department of Administration, is the only state government agency whose specific responsibility is to meet the needs of N.C. Indians.

Ralph Hunt, until Tuesday night the Chairman of the Robeson County Board of Education along with associate Howard Oxendine, own Lumbee Warehouse in Lumberton. Charles Hunt, brother of Ralph Hunt, was an employee of the warehouse.

"When people think of Indians," Jones said, "they often think in terms of arrowheads and bows and arrows. However, that notion is as outdated as stories of Jesse James and Wyatt Earp."

Also at the Capitol, a display tracing the history of Tar Heel Indians will be exhibited during September, and an audio-visual production will be presented at 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. daily, Sept. 22-26, in the Old House Chambers.

The 15 sheets of tobacco, the government claimed, were sold on Ralph Hunt's tobacco sales card August 2, 1979, in the Lumbee Tobacco Warehouse in Lumberton. The tobacco brought prices ranging from \$1.25 per pound to \$1.48 per pound.

Indians, who are often associated with the wild West and mountain wilderness, have a history which takes them back at least 10,000 years in North Carolina and a heritage which is still developing, according to Jones. Today there are Indians lawyers, doctors, educators, successful businessmen, legislators and gubernatorial and presidential appointees. The first Indian Heritage Week in North Carolina brings

IN addition, an exhibit of N.C. Indian art will open at the N.C. Museum of Art on Sunday, Sept. 21.

For a more detailed schedule of Indian Heritage Week activities, contact the N.C. Commission of Indian Affairs, P.O. Box 27228, Raleigh, NC 27611.

They are also facing charges of

...Off to the Miss America Pageant



PEMBROKE-Shown just before departing for the Miss America Pageant Sunday afternoon are (left) Miss Brigitte Brayboy, Miss Lumbee 1980; and her chaperone, Mrs. Florence Ransom.

testivities which will culminate with the crowning of a new Miss America Saturday night.

Said Ms. Brayboy, "We're going to observe ...and root for Miss Utah, Jean Bullard," another Lumbee beauty, who entered and won the Miss Utah Pageant while a student at Brigham Young University in Utah.

They were on their way to Atlantic City, New Jersey for the week's



Miss Utah, Jean Bullard

Jean Bullard, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Harold Woods of Pembroke will be on national t.v. as the Miss America Pageant will be shown Saturday night.

Besides Miss Lumbee and Ms. Ransom Miss Bullard's parents and a host of relatives and friends will be in attendance at the pageant to cheer madly for Jean, the first Lumbee to ever participate in the national event.

Her parents reside on Pine Street; her uncle, Herman Dial, is chairman of the Robeson County Commissioners.

Jean is also the daughter of the late Spurgeon Bullard; her twin sister, Joan, is married and makes her home in Utah, too.

RALPH HUNT RESIGNS

by Connee Brayboy

There was silence and a feeling of sadness in the air Tuesday night as Ralph Hunt resigned his position as chairman of the Robeson County Board of Education at an emergency meeting of that body. Hunt tendered the following resignation with dignity:

"During the past several months, increasing publicity related to my personal business affairs have been aligned with an attack on my ability to carry out my elected duties and responsibilities as a member of the Robeson County Board of Education. In spite of this, I have continued to fill the office as Chairman of the Board in the vested interests of the electorate and have constantly made an effort to separate personal vs elected issues.

"The increasing publicity and repeated references have served to influence public opinion to the extent that the two issues are inseparable. Consequently, I am tendering my resignation as Chairman of the Robeson County Board of Education effective noon, Wednesday, September 3, 1980.

I am appreciative to the members of the Robeson County Board of Education for their continuing confidence and support which they have demonstrated during the period of time in which I have served as Chairman.

"I can assure you that I shall continue to work in the best interest and a cooperative spirit in striving to make the

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Census Figures "Might be wrong" in Pembroke Count

PEMBROKE-Pembroke Town Manager McDuffie Cummings noted, in his manager's report to the Pembroke Town Council, that the town's census figures "might be wrong."

Cummings recounted the details of a phone call from Pat Timmons, the area bureau chief, who informed him that the town's initial figures of 3,925 might have to be revised "...something in the area of 2500." Cummings said Mrs. Timmons informed him quickly because the Fayetteville office was in the process of being closed down. Mrs. Timmons said, "the telephone is in the process of being removed ...and I wanted to call you myself."

Cummings disputed her revised findings which is some 1400 or so less than the town had anticipated and will make the town the third largest behind Red Springs which has an initial count of 3276 and just ahead of Fairmont which has counted 2349. Lumberton leads the census count in Robeson County with 17,183.

The council seemed shocked. Mayor Pete Jacobs said, "I recommend that we do whatever is legal and reject the figures."

Cummings noted that the appeal period had expired before the town was informed of the revised figures. The council also decided to approach Representative Charlie Rose's office in Washington, D.C. for help.

In other matters...

The council postponed action on a possible resolution of intent to annex

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Shown are Congressman Charlie Rose Representatives' Dining Room in the U.S. House of Capitol.

appointed to Presidential Council

Washington, D.C.-Congressman Charlie Rose recently announced that Sandra Lucas has been appointed to the Intergovernmental Advisory Council on Education by President Jimmy Carter.

Ms. Lucas, a recent graduate of Brigham Young University in Utah, just completed an internship in Rep. Rose's Washington, D.C. office. Earlier in the summer she worked in the office of Robeson County native Tom Oxendine, acting director of public information in the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

Ms. Lucas is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Lucas of Pembroke. Twenty applicants were chosen out of a field of 1100 for the presidential council to which she was named.

The appointment is for one year; the council will provide assistance and make recommendations to the secretary of education and President Carter on intergovernmental policies relating to the general field of education.

Ms. Lucas is presently visiting her relatives in Pembroke and considering a number of possibilities, including a possible return to graduate school at Brigham Young University.

PEOPLE AND PLACES AND THINGS

MAXTON MINISTER TO KEYNOTE ANNUAL MAYOR'S PRAYER BREAKFAST

The Rev. Robert A. Fairley, Pastor of St. James United Methodist Church of Pembroke will be the guest speaker at the 1980 Jaycee Mayor's Prayer Breakfast on Sunday, September 7th, at 7:30 a.m. at the Pembroke Jaycee Hut.

All pastors of Jaycee members and other area ministers have been invited to attend this annual event as have members of the Pembroke Town Council.

Co-chairmen of this event are Noah Woods and Milton Hunt, both members of the Pembroke Jaycees.

BREAKFAST SET BY BLACK CAUCUS

The Robeson County Black Caucus is hosting a breakfast for Black pastors in the county on Saturday at the Holiday Inn in Lumberton. Music will be furnished by the Carolina Mass Choir, an interdenominational group.

BIBLE STUDY FOR FALL

What's new in Bible Study will be the theme of the ten-week Bible class to be taught by I. Ruth Martin, beginning on Tuesday, September 9.

Three main themes will be used: the latest finds of Biblical Archeology in and around Jerusalem, common words that have changed meanings in the English and so confuse the Bible reader, and the book of Hebrews. The author of Hebrews presents Christ as Superior and these comparisons will be the center of the study.

Miss Martin spent the month of July, 1980 digging on Mt. Zion in Jerusalem. In addition, she was able to study with archaeologists who were digging at the City of David and with an international known Biblical geographer.

The class will meet in the home of Miss Martin, 1308 Patton, Lumberton. Each Tuesday night session will run from 7 p.m. until 10 p.m. The sessions are sponsored by Robeson Technical College as part of the Adult Enrichment program. As such they are open to all who wish to attend. There will be a small registration fee.

LOCAL STUDENT IS SUMMER GRADUATE AT UNC-CH

Suzanne Gay Sampson was among the 1980 summer graduates at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

SLIDE AND SOUND SHOW PRESENTED TO OLD MAIN

A. Bruce Jones, Executive Director and the N.C. Commission of Indian Affairs has arranged for the Commission's slide and sound show to be permanently available at the Native American Resource Center located in the Old Main Building at PSU.

The show, made in 1978, consists of two parts: the first half covers the history of the N.C. Indians while the second part explains the Commission's role in serving Indians today across the state.

Jones, in making the presentation, said, "This gift is to mark the continuing partnership of PSU and the Commission of Indian Affairs is creating awareness of the heritage of N.C. Indian people. It is appropriate that this gift be presented in time for Indian Heritage Week, proclaimed by Governor Hunt for the week of September 20-26, 1980.

"PSU has been a significant element in the development of Indian people in North Carolina. We look forward to this role continuing and expanding," Jones continued.

The presentation was made to Adolph Dial, Chairman of the Native American Studies Department at the University, and Juanita Locklear, Director of the Native American Resource Center.

Dial expressed his thanks this way: "We are very appreciative to the N.C. Indian Commission for this contribution to the Native American Resource Center. This slide-and-sound show depicting N.C. Indians and the work that the N.C. Indian Commission does is well received by the American Indian Studies Department."

Mrs. Locklear was also delighted to receive the addition to the center. "We are very glad to receive it," she commented. "This is something we have been working toward for two months. We plan to show it during Indian Heritage Week September 20-26. It complements so well our other slide-and-sound program, 'The Lumbee A People Proud and Free.'"



YOUNGSTER DANCES WITH TRADITION - Eight-year-old Wayshiti Richardson, a Haliwa-Saponi, has been dancing since he was 18 months old and has won many competitions throughout the country. He will be among the Indian dancers from Halifax and Warren counties performing on the State Capitol grounds Wednesday Sept. 24, during Indian Heritage Week.