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ALFRED COOK VS. PEMBROKE MOVES TO FEDERAL COURT

FAYETTEVILLE—The long running legal dispute between Alfred Cook, a property owner, and the Town of Pembroke has moved to federal court in Fayetteville.

After the charges were thrown out in state court, Osborne "Obbie" Lee, Jr., Cook's attorney, brought charges in federal court charging that Cook's civil rights were abridged. The case began this week. An irony is that Federal Judge Earl Britt, one of the federal judges assigned to the eastern district, was once Alfred Cook's counsel. Cook had originally asked for 1.5 million in damages; and the Town counter-sued for \$110,000.

Originally, Alfred Cook, now a property owner in Pembroke, sued the Town of Pembroke and town officials McDuffie Cummings, town manager; Vernon Oxendine, chief of police; and Harvey Bullard, then a policeman but now retired.

Cook filed his suit on July 20, 1979, a year after the dispute that prompted the suit occurred on May 20, 1978. Cook claimed in state courts that he was plowing up land on his property (located across from Cliff's Package Store) and was told by the Pembroke officials to stop plowing up what they indicated was

public land, a throughfare that had been used by the town for years. Cook refused and was subsequently arrested. Cook was forcibly removed from the tractor and charged with damage to town property and resisting arrest. The lawyer who came to Pembroke, according to sources, and secured Cook's release was Earl Britt, now one of the judges in the eastern district federal court. Britt remained counsel, along with Lee, until April 28, just before former President Jimmy Carter appointed him to the bench.

Cook, in turn, charged Pembroke and the officials with false arrest, trespassing malicious prosecution and assault and battery. Judge Henry A. McKinnon, Jr. later threw out all the charges in superior court.

The Town of Pembroke is represented by Dexter Brooks; the town officials are represented by Dickson McLean, a Lumberton attorney.

In the federal action, Lee, on behalf of Cook, asks for \$1.56 million claiming his client's civil rights have been abridged; not under the 1964 Civil Rights Act but the 1871 Civil Rights Act.

Horace Locklear "Fun in the Sun" Golf Tournament and Social

Former legislator Horace Locklear is planning the first annual "Fun in the Sun" Golf Tournament and Social. September 18, 1982, from 10 a.m. until 7 p.m. at Riverside Country Club in Pembroke, North Carolina.

Tee-off will begin at 10:30 a.m. for the men. At 10:45 a.m., the ladies will tour Pembroke State University, the Native American Resource Center. At 12 noon lunch will be held at the Golden China Restaurant (Chinese Cuisine) in Lumberton, N.C. At 12:45 p.m. there will be a Shopping Spree at the Outlet Plaza in Lumberton, N.C.

At 3:30 p.m. there will be a Pig-picking at Riverside Country Club. Then there will be the announcement of the winners of prizes and gifts. Then at 5 p.m., entertainment will be provided by "The Legends" at Riverside Country Club. There will be free admission.

Activities will "Wrap up" at 7 p.m. For more information, write "Fun in the Sun," P.O. Box 1273, Lumberton, N.C. 28358. Telephone 919 - 739-4071.

OPEN HOUSE

The Board of Directors and Staff of Lumbee Medical Center cordially invite you to attend an Open House on Sunday, September 12, 1982 from 3 p.m. until 6 p.m. at the new location on Highway 711 East, Pembroke. The public is invited to attend.

Marcus & Elizabeth Dial Family Reunion Planned Sept. 18

at 4 p.m.

The descendants of the late Marcus and Elizabeth Dial are planning their family reunion for September 18, at Prospect United Methodist Church (directly in front of Prospect School).

Descendants are encouraged to bring covered dishes. A special program is planned.

All direct descendants and those related by marriage are encouraged to attend.

RUTH DIAL WOODS NAMED ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS



Ruth Dial Woods

Ruth Dial Woods has become the first female in the Robeson County School System to be named Assistant Superintendent. She will be responsible for overall administration and supervision of approximately \$3.5 million budgets in Title IV Indian Education, Chapter 1 Compensatory Education and Migrant Education. Ms. Woods will fill the position vacated by Albert C. Hunt who retired last year.

Ms. Woods holds an A.B. Degree from Wake Forest College, Raleigh, in Spanish and English and a M.A. Ed. degree in Educational Administration and Supervision from Pembroke State University. She has had additional study at Wayne State University, Detroit, Mich.; the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich.; East Carolina University; the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; and North Carolina Central University.

Ms. Woods has served as Director of Indian Education for the Robeson County Schools since 1977. As Director she has provided all administrative, supervisory and fiscal responsibilities for this compensatory education program beginning with an annual budget of \$770,000 to the \$1.2 million dollar budget for the current fiscal year. She has been responsible for supervising a staff of 43 paraprofessional and professional employees, coordinating subcontract and contractual services with individual consultants and agencies and organizations.

Other experience includes ten years in the field of education as a teacher of Spanish, English and School Educational Media Services. She has served seven years in administrative positions with the North Carolina Fund, a state private non-profit organization developed to combat poverty in the State of North Carolina in the areas of rural manpower development and training programs funded by the U.S. Department of Labor and with Southeastern Area Community Action Programs, Inc. and Tri-County Community Action.

Ms. Woods has participated in training for consultants in the areas of Headstart, Model Cities, and Rural Program Planning and Development and has served as a consultant to numerous federal programs.

Ms. Woods has been recognized for her service on numerous occasions. In 1979 she was awarded the Woman of the Year Award by Pembroke Business and Professional Women's Club and the Community Leadership Award by the N.C. Human Relations Commission. In 1980 she received the Henry Berry Lowry Award for community leadership and service by Lumbee Regional Development Association.

She has served as a member of the State Coordinating Committee for International Women's Year; vice chair of North Carolina State delegation to the National Women's Conference and in 1978 was appointed by President Carter to the National Women's Committee of the Conference.

Ms. Woods has held offices and memberships in local, state and national organizations. She has served as National Chair of the Native American Women's Caucus of the United Methodist Church, Division of Global Ministries, and as a member of the planning committee for the National Women's Assembly sponsored by the Women's Division of the United Methodist Church.

She was appointed by Governor Jim Hunt to the Advisory Council of the Robeson County Prison Unit and after public election, to the North Carolina State Commission of Indian Affairs. She is a past president of the Pembroke Business and Professional Women's Club and Past Southern Area vice President of the North Carolina Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs. She has chaired the Fall Forum of the North Carolina Council of Women's Organizations, the Robeson County Governor's Leadership Conference for Women, and is past Secretary of the North Carolinians United for the Equal Rights Amendment.

Ms. Woods is a member of the North Carolina Women's Political Caucus and served as a member of the steering committee for the organization of this caucus. She is also a member of the North Carolina Women's Forum, a group of selected women leaders, including state legislators and government officials, from across North Carolina. Ms. Woods is completing a two-year appointment to the North Carolina State Evaluation Committee on Teacher Education by appointment of Dr. A. Craig Phillips and serves as a member of the Board of the North Carolina Center on Public Policy and Research. She is a member of the Advisory Board of National Women's Program Development, Inc. funded by the Women's Educational Equity Act. She has also served as a member of the Committee on Minority Presence for Girl Scouts, USA, New York City.

Ms. Woods has published articles including "Native American Women's Issues," in *Response*, a magazine of the United Methodist Women; a paper entitled "Cross Cultural Networking," recently published by the OHOYO Resource Center as a collection of papers by Native American women in *Words of Today's American Indian Women: Ohayo Makachl*. Excerpts from free lance writing and personal speeches and papers by Ms. Woods are to be published in *Southern Magazine* later this year.

Ms. Woods is married to Noah Woods, Principal of Magnolia School. She is mother to Constance, Stephanie, Ollin and Reuben. The family resides in Pembroke.

In announcing Ms. Woods' appointment as assistant superintendent, Purnell Swett, Superintendent of the Robeson County School System, referred to her as "very competent." He expressed his pleasure to have her fill the positions.

Appreciation Banquet planned for Herman Dial

The residents of the Pembroke-Smiths-Maxton Commissioners District, and other, have united to show a token of their appreciation to out-going Commissioner Herman Dial.

There will be an Appreciation Dinner in Dial's honor, September 25, 1982 at 6:30 p.m. at the Old Foundry Restaurant, Lumberton.

Tickets for the occasion are available for \$8.00 single, and \$15.00 per couple.

Serving as chairman of the Arrangements Committee is Barbara Melvin of Shannon. Delton Oxendine of Pembroke is chairman of the Publicity Committee and L.H. Moore is serving as chairman of the Program Committee.

Tickets are available now for this event. They may be purchased from the Carolina Indian Voice in Pembroke, Moore's Chain Saw Service, Rt. 3, Maxton. The Commission of Indian Affairs in Lumberton, and George Engler in Maxton.

The following persons also have tickets for sale: Linda B. Locklear, Paul Harris, Judy Davis, Patricia Locklear, Fedelia Locklear, Earl Moore, Arnold Locklear, Bobby Davis, Ed or Barbara Melvin, Barbara A. Locklear, James F. Maynor, Samuel Keene, Gary Monroe, Delton Oxendine, Carole Mabel Jones, James A. Jones, Monroe Lowry, McKinley Jones, Jr., and L.H. Moore.

Said one member of the Committee: Commissioner Dial has rendered 16 years of service to the area... We appreciate his sacrifice and wish to say thank you in our own small way... So many times when a person is defeated in an election, we just ignore any accomplishments they've made or set of turn them out to pasture. But this time we want to show a token of our esteem to Commissioner Dial and acknowledge his accomplishments.

WARRIOR[S] OF THE WEEK

By Steve Tynar



Warriors of the Week are shown above. Locklear, kneeling are Thomas Maynor and Benny Dimery. Standing is Max Lowry and Eric

Warrior of the Week honors for the Orrum game is shared by the five players who make up the interior offensive line: Eric "Bull" Locklear, Thomas Maynor, Benny Dimery, Max Lowry, and Derwin Strickland. In both of the Warriors' wins these players have played a large part in enabling the running backs to get free. In the second half of the South Robeson game, it was the plot of these five which allowed the backs to gain over 200 yards.

In the Orrum game they were responsible for the holes which allowed a total of 333 yards rushing and 98 yards passing. In addition, all five players are often called on to play both offense and defense—a defense which has held their first two opponents to a total of six points. To the average fan, these players may be unsung, but to their teammates these five serve as the example of what a Warrior really is on the football field.



INDIAN HERITAGE WEEK IN NORTH CAROLINA

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Indian Heritage Week in North Carolina has been proclaimed for Sept. 19-25, 1982. Activities have been planned to call attention to the more than 10,000-year history of North Carolina Indians, who today comprise the largest Native American population of any state east of the Mississippi. The N.C. Commission of Indian Affairs, the only state government agency whose specific responsibility is to meet the needs of the state's Indians, is coordinating the varied activities of Indian Heritage Week in North Carolina.