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A Tribute to The Honorable Commissioner W. HERMAN DIAL An Appreciation Dinner



Herman Dial is shown left receiving a plaque of appreciation from Herbert Moore, Chairman of the Program Committee for the Herman Dial Appreciation Dinner. [Elmer Hunt Photo]



A view of the overflow crowd who attended the tribute to Herman Dial. [Elmer Hunt Photo]



Mr. and Mrs. Herman Dial are shown decorated for the occasion by Mrs. Evelyn Cummings. [Elmer Hunt Photo]

More than 400 persons gathered at the Old Foundry Restaurant in Lumberton on Saturday, September 25, 1982 to pay tribute to W. Herman Dial, Robeson County Commissioner as he completes sixteen years of service.

The welcome was given by the Master of Ceremonies, Mr. James A. Jones, Principal of Prospect School. Invocation was by Arnold Locklear.

Music was provided by the Cherokee Quartet and Mr. Early Maynor and Mr. Willoughby Jones and the Prospect UMC Young Ladies Ensemble.

Purnell Swett, Superintendent of the Robeson County School System, paid tribute to Dial's contribution to education. W. Paul Graham, County Manager, paid tribute to Dial's contribution to government.

Testimonials were given by the Rev. H.E. Edwards and Mr. Gary Monroe of the Maxton Precinct; Mr. Freddie Maynor of the Pembroke Precinct; and Mr. McKinley Jones, Jr. of the Smiths Precinct.

His fellow commissioners, Carl Britt, Chairman of the Robeson County Board of Commissioners, H.T. Taylor, Lumberton Commissioner; and Bill Herndon, St. Pauls Commissioner gave testimonials of Dial's contributions. They thanked the District for sharing Dial with the county and promised to look to him for leadership and guidance. Bobby Dean Locklear, ex-commissioner of the Red Springs District, promised his support of Dial in any political endeavors.

Henry Harris of the N.C. State Transportation Department spoke of Dial's contributions to State Government. He listed the miles of guttering, paving and canals, etc. which had been performed during Dial's tenure in Robeson County.

Representative-elect Sidney Locks also lauded Dial's achievements.

Presentations were made to Dial from: Mr. "Mutt" McNeill, Robeson County Fire Marshall; the Prospect Fire Department by Delton Oxendine; the Pembroke Fire Department by Freddie Maynor; J.F. Cummings presented plaques of appreciation from the Board and Staff of Four County Community Services, Inc. and the Robeson County Church and Community Center; Rev. H.E. Edwards presented a plaque from the Maxton Citizens for Progress and the Maxton Community Action Association; L.H. Moore, Chairman of the Robeson County Board of Elections presented a plaque on behalf of the appreciation dinner committee.

A gold watch and a gold money clip was presented to Commissioner Dial by Connee Brayboy and Barbara Barton on behalf of the "people of Robeson County."

The Rev. Robert Lee Mangum, Pastor of Prospect United Methodist Church gave a testimonial of Dial's contributions on behalf of John Doe, the Public.

Mrs. Pearl M. Jones presented a silver food warmer to Mrs. Dial. The benediction was by Bishop James H. Woods.

The appreciation dinner committee stated: "Mr. Dial has been an active Democrat for thirty years. W. Herman Dial rose to leadership in Robeson County, where there was still rampant denial and division, to help provide equal opportunities, open and full political participation, social justice, progressive education, and comprehensive human services. Commissioner Dial, we applaud you for your contribution to a better Robeson County."

And many other people spoke about Dial's accomplishments and the progress of Robeson County during his tenure of service. The message was clear from those in attendance. They desired to thank Mr. Dial for his service and are now looking to his direction, waiting to support him.

THE CAROLINA INDIAN VOICE MAKES PLANS FOR TEN YEAR VICTORY CELEBRATION

by Bruce Barton

The Carolina Indian Voice is making plans to celebrate ten years of publication during the month of January 1983. We hope you will join us in this exciting extravaganza.

A special 10 year anniversary edition...

One particular adventure will be a special Anniversary Edition [A Decade of Service 1973-1983] which will appear on Thursday, January 20, 1983 noting ten years of continuous publication. This will, more likely than not, be the biggest issue of The Carolina Indian Voice to ever appear.

The Anniversary Edition will include highlights of the previous ten years, a special history of the Carolina Indian Voice, biographical sketches of those involved in the production of the Carolina Indian Voice, and more. This Special Anniversary Edition is also soliciting advertisements from our merchants and friends who wish to share this special moment with us. More about this in the weeks to come.

And, of course, a Special Anniversary Celebration...

...scheduled for January 22, 1983 will

give us a brief respite, a moment to rest on our laurels and look to the future. Plans are being formulated for this Special Anniversary Celebration. Look for further details in the weeks to come.

And A Special Edition of Bruce Barton's "As I see It" columns which have appeared in the Carolina Indian Voice over the last ten years.

I have sometimes been irreverent but I have always tried to be gut-honest. Writing a column for ten years has taught me something about discipline and human relations.

This Special Anniversary Edition is being prepared for publication and will be ready for sale on the night of our Anniversary Celebration (January 22, 1983). We are beginning, this issue, accepting advance orders. The book will sell for \$7.95 plus 32c tax for a total of \$8.27. (See ad elsewhere in this issue).

The Carolina Indian Voice is planning to publish 2,000 copies of this interesting look at Ten Years of Robeson County life from the eyes of one who has been observing and reporting on things like Double Voting, the evils of illegal annexations, personalities, spiritual de-

velopment and more. It's surprising how much has happened over the last ten years. I usually had something to say about just about everything over this decade of service. I am calling the book "The Best of...As I see It." My detractors might call it "the worst." That's life in tri-racial Robeson County-the most interesting place in America to live and grow as a human being.

We hope you'll want a copy of this interesting book, if I do say so myself for your personal library. It is a special Anniversary Edition and I hope you'll want to get a copy for yourself.

The book also includes a few "sayings" from Ol' Reasonable Locklear, pictures and scraps of history. You can read about the breaking of the evil political system of double voting, the Saving of Old Main, the change of the guard at the county board of education, spiritual development, interesting personalities and more.

A lot has happened over the last ten years. We want to share it with you and make a little money besides. That's not such a bad proposition. Is it?

Warriors vs Cats Friday Night

After a two week delay, the Pembroke High Warriors are anxious to get back to their winning ways against the Prospect Cats on the Cats' home grid.

The Warriors have won twice and tied once, while the Cats have had a tough time of it this year with an 0-4 mark.

Pembroke Kiwanis Receives 4th District Lt. Governor

Pembroke Kiwanis met Tuesday evening at the Town and Country Restaurant to receive the 4th District Lt. Governor's Banner from retiring Lt. Governor Leonard Lawson of Laurinburg. The large blue and gold banner was received by the current Lt. Governor Bernard Lowry of the Pembroke Kiwanis Club. On Tuesday evening, Oct. 5, Lt. Governor Lowry will install the following

officers of his home club: president, Lankford Godwin, vice president, Alvin Ray Lowry, secretary, Marshall Locklear, treasurer, Albert Hunt and board members, Bill Oxendine and Garth Locklear.

The next three meetings will be ladies night meetings: Oct. 5th will be installation of officers; Oct. 12 will be the annual cook-out supper honoring retiring club president John L. Carter; Oct. 19 will be charter night honoring the establishment of the Pembroke Kiwanis by the Lumberton Kiwanis Club.

Presiding at the meeting was President John L. Carter; Lankford Godwin directed the singing, accompanied by Ira Pate Lowry, Pianist. The invocation was given by Bernard Lowry. Visiting the meeting was Jimmy Ray Hunt.

LREMC Incumbents Challenged

Four more members of Lumbee River Electric Membership Corporation will challenge incumbent directors of the rural electric co-operative at its 42nd Annual Meeting of Members to be held on Tuesday, Oct. 19 at 7 p.m. at the Pembroke State University Performing Arts Center.

Ward Clark, Jr. of Maxton, James C. McLean of Raeford, Stephen Strickland of Pembroke and Ronald Hammonds of Lumberton will have their names on the ballot at the Annual Meeting by virtue of petitions filed for them over the signatures of 15 or more members of the co-operative. All four petitions were received prior to the Sept. 24 deadline.

Ward Clark, Jr. will challenge Bill James Brewington in the District 1 race which represents the townships of Maxton, Alfordville, Thompson, Union and Rowland. James C. McLean will face incumbent nominee Alton V. Dudley in the District 6 contest to represent all of Hoke County east of NC 211. In District 5, Ronald Ham-

monds will challenge incumbent James H. Hammonds to represent the townships of Lumber Bridge, Parkton, St. Pauls, East and West Howellsville and Saddletree.

The largest field of candidates will vie for the At-Large seat now held by John Paul Jones. Already on the ballot through the nomination process are: incumbent Jones, Lacy L. Cummings and Reginald Lee Oxendine. Stephen Strickland of Pembroke joins the field through his nomination by petition.

Pursuant to the Bylaws of the cooperative, nominations may also be made from the floor on the night of the Annual Meeting.

Board members are elected for three-year terms. Four are elected each year on a rotating basis, according to the Bylaws.

This year's Annual Meeting will feature the elections, a report on the activities of the rural electric cooperative, an address by Seventh District Congressman Charlie Rose and drawing for nearly \$1,500 in prizes following the business session.

A. David Lester Campaigns for Ed Johnson

A David Lester, Commissioner of Native American Programs, Administration for Native Americans, is expected in the area next Thursday, October 7, to do some campaigning for Ed Johnson, Republican candidate for Congress from the 7th District.

Tentative plans are for Johnson and Lester to campaign in the Waccamaw-Siouan Community in the morning and Robeson County later in the day.

Tentative plans are a tour of the "Spine of the Wind" site, a tour of LSWA programs and sites, a picnic conference at 5 p.m., a barbecue picnic in the Pembroke Town Park from 5:30 p.m. until 7 p.m., and a town hall meeting in the Pembroke High School gymnasium from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m.

Lester's appearance in the area being announced by the local media.