

DON'T FORGET TO **BECOME A BRAVES** BOOSTER BUT...

Coach Billy Lee and the PSU Senior High Basketball Camp now underway with some 100 youngsters on hand. That's wonderful...really!

But consider the staff: Larry Lindsay, head coach at Wake-Forest Rolesville; Mel Kenode, Douglas Byrd High School; Bill Draper, a special scout in Philadelphia; Mike Wallace, a senior off last year's PSU basketball team; Leon Brock, Cape Fear High School; Tony McNair, PSU Student Assistant for the Capel, Pinecrest High School; Bill Stonerock, Dunn High School; Steve Drigger, Terry Sanford High School; and of course PSU Head Coach Billy Lee and Assistant Coach Scott Colclough.

in the lot. James Howard ketball coach at Prospect, Pembroke and now West Robeson Senior High, was on the basketball camp staff for a number of years, especially

when Joe Gallagher was

I'd say that Lee and Com-Consider PSU Basketball pany have flunked public relations again.

Nevertheless we ought to support the PSU Athletic Program by becoming a member of the PSU Braves Club, the athletic booster club at Pembroke State.

Memberships for the Pembroke State University Braves Club for 1983-84 are now on sale on the PSU campus.

Many benefits are given to members with costs being \$20 for a booster, \$35 for an individual, \$50 for a family, Basketball program; Jeff and \$100 for a business.

For more information or to be sent a free brochure call 521-3522 daily or write: Braves Club, Pembroke State University, Pembroke, N.C. 28372.

After we join, let's ask Not a local basketball coach Coach Lee why Coach Locklear and other local coaches Locklear, formerly the bas- are never part of the basketball camps and why attendance is so poor at basketball games. These are legitimate questions deserving reasonable answers.



WASHINGTON-Just before Congress adjourned for pendence Day holiday, a multi-billion dollar ap propriations bill came up in the Senate which was so wasteful that no prudent Senator could support it. President Reagan is almost obliged to veto it-and then the question will be whether Congress will override the veto and force the President to spend the money anyhow.

To illustrate the way the bill was written, let me describe just one item—the food stamp program's appropriation for the fiscal year beginning October 1.

At the outset, I should mention that I am the target of a number of special interest groups who purport to represent the "poor"-lobbyists who have vowed to defeat me in the next election-if I run-because they claim that I have been so "hard-hearted" about various welfare programs, including food stamps.

The truth is, I have merely done my best to cut out the corruption and waste in such programs. The taxpayers have been ripped off to the tune of untold billions of dollars by people who make a business of abusing such programs as food stamps. I don't know how long I'll be in the Senate, but I will never knuckle under to those who deliberately cheat the taxpayers.

FOOD STAMPS—The Administration had requested \$11.6 billion for the food stamp program for fiscal year 1984. This enormous amount of money was intended to cover the cost of the program from October 1, 1983, through September 30, 1984—that is, for the entire 12 months of the fiscal year.

But when the appropriations bill hit the Senate Floor, I noted that the \$11.6 billion was specified to cover only eleven months of the fiscal year. In other words, in August 1984, the bill had been written so that it would be necessary for Congress to appropriate another \$1 billion or so to cover the cost of the food stamp program for one month-September 1984.

Do you see? It was a clever way to increase the total cost of food stamps for the 12 month period.

I felt that the Senate should vote on the question, so I offered an amendment to make the appropriation cover the entire 12 months. Not surprisingly, I lost-the welfare lobby had done its work well. Only 23 Senators voted with me-but many who voted against my amendment acknowledged that is was too politically risky for them to try to tighten up the cost of welfare programs.

MENCKEN-While all of this was going on, I thought of the late H. L. Mencken, a Baltimore editor who was always skeptical of politics and politicians. Mr. Mencken once remarked that some people work for a living, and some people vote for a living.

The incredible increase in the cost of welfare programs confirms Mr. Mencken's observation. As was the case with the food stamp vote, Members of Congress are so often fearful that they will lose votes if they try to cut down the cost

I enjoy my work in the Senate, but if the price of staying in the Senate is that I must compromise on such matters-then the price is too high.



"The rich get richer..." may be a tired old cliche, but in the case of the federal government's revenue sharing program, it unfortunately is too often

Revenue sharing was created in the early 1970's as a way to funnel federal money to state and local governments. The funds are used to pay for libraries, road improvements and other public works

States have since been dropped from the program, but cities and counties, including many of the most affluent communities in the nation, continue to receive revenue sharing funds.

Among the examples of this incredible giveaway are the millionaire's paradise of Palm Springs, which annually gets a revenue sharing check for nearly \$700,000; oil-rich Houston and Dallas, which receive \$24 million and \$15 million, respectively; and Ridgefield, Conn., a well-healed New England community which receives more than \$250,000 annually in revenue sharing money.

And subsidies to the rich do not begin or end with revenue sharing. Student loans, by-and-large, go to the offspring of middle and upper-income families; farm subsidies flow to large agri-business combines, as well as to the family farmer; international loan guarantees assure repayment to American banks, as well as their high-powered officers and shareholders; and economic development grants often result in lucrative contracts for major construction com-

Recipients of such largesse often justify it as merely "getting my share of the federal pie," or "the return of some of the taxes I pay.'

What folly and shortsightedness.

The only beneficiaries are the bureaucrats and politicians who live off the administrative "fees" and political "income" they derive from being able to decide who gets what piece of the action.

We ought to be ashamed of ourselves for having allowed this "let's take in each others laundry" game to continue.

And in today's deficit-laden world, revenue -sharing is a misnomer. We are sharing deficits, not revenues, and subsidizing with borrowed funds adding enormously to the annual cost of the permanent debt service.

It may seem that thanks to some of these programs, the rich are getting richer. In reality however, we are all getting poorer:

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In Loving Memory....

MR. JOSEPH LOWRY ON HIS BIRTHDAY JULY 25

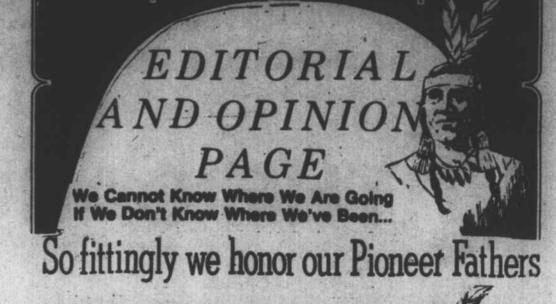
Daddy, there is that empty space at home. Your favorite we had and how proud and on the T.V. to watch all the sports games you enjoyed watching. The newspapers forgotten by the people who you enjoyed reading remain loved you so much. But one rolled up. Your bedroom lamp day we'll meet up yonder. doesn't burn all night any- This is something I look more. You're not there to talk forward to doing one day. to when I have a problem.

The pain you suffered all those years have gone away.

Daddy, you were my heart. I miss you and love you so much. My heart aches but I just think of the good times chair is empty. We don't turn glad I was to have a daddy like you. Daddy, you are gone to a better place but you are not With love.

Your Daughter JOANN LOCKLEAR





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-An Editorial Expression-

COUNCILMAN SAM DIAL'S PORTRAIT STILL IN THE CLOSET

It's getting interesting. Clinton Thomas, Jr. has quit returning calls to this editorialist, closing down, seemingly, a cordial relationship of many years standing. And why?

This newspaper has asked Thomas and his Housing Board to put Pembroke Councilman Sam Dial's portrait back

where it belongs--up!
Thomas [administratively he says] had a portrait of Dial done by Assistant D.A. Woodberry Bowen at a cost of "not more than \$350.00" and hung publicly at a public affair in 1977 where Dial was honored as the "father of Public Housing in Pembroke," according to minutes of the Pembroke Housing Authority and Redevelopment Commission of which Thomas is Executive Director. Attorney General Rufus Edmisten was dedicatory speaker.

But times change, and politics do too. Dial made a spirited bid for mayor in the last municipal election in Pembroke, narrowly losing to the present Mayor James A. "Pete" Jacobs.

Dial and Thomas changed politically and now are fervent, political foes. Dial has among other things charged "corruption" in Pembroke circles. At a free wheeling press conference recently Dial raised a number of interesting points, one being the fact that his portrait had been taken down by Thomas and placed in the closet in his office.

Dial's portrait should be put back where it was--up! As we see it it is a cheap political slap in the face to Dial, and not worthy of even legendary Pembroke politics.

We ask again-kindly but firmly-Mr. Thomas, will you please put Mr. Dial's portrait back where it belongs--up!

Cardinal Meeting Dates Set, County Board Vacancies Listed

Directors will meet Wednes- 1983. Planning Committee will meet majority, but not more than at 4:30 p.m. the same day and 60%, of health care consumreport to the Board at its 7:00 p.m. meeting.

September 16th has been set as the Agency's Annual Meeting date and nineteen vacancies on the Cardinal Health Agency Board of Directors will be filled at that time. Anyone within the fifteen county area served by Cardinal who is interested in membership on the Cardinal Board is invited to have his or her name placed in nomination by organizations or groups they might represent. dinal Health Agency is asking Forms for nomination are available at the Cardinal sioners in Bladen, Columbus, office, 401 East 11th St. Cumberland, Robeson, Har-Lumberton, NC 28358 and can nett, Moore, Sampson, New be obtained by writing to that address or by calling Cardinal at (919) 738-9316. Nomination ments to the Board. Anyone forms are required for all nominees and these complet- interested in providing input

ers. They must be residents of the Cardinal Health service area and broadly representative of the social, economic, linguistic, and racial population. A minority of no less than 40% of the Board must be made up of health care

providers. One-half of the vacant positions for consumers and one-half of the vacant positions for providers are to be appointed by Boards of County Commissioners. The Carthe Board of County Commis-Hanover and Montgomery Counties to make appointin these counties who is ed forms must be received by or representing their county on the Cardinal Health Board are invited to contact their

> local County Commissioner. In Robeson County, the County Commissioners have reappointed Joe Bracey Freeman who filled an interim vacancy.

Nominations from Robeson County are being sought for

LUMBERTON--The Cardi- the Cardinal office no later individuals who are providers nal Health Agency Board of than 5:00 p.m. on August 19, of health care. This vacancy is due to the expiring term of day, July 27th at 7:00 p.m. in
The Cardinal Board of Luckey Welsh who filled an the Agency's office. The Directors is composed of a interim vacancy. Mr. Welch

is eligible for re-election. The Cardinal Board of Directors is charged with certain specific duties designed to improve the health of residents of the area and to increase the quality and availability of health services. The Board also works to prevent the unnecessary duplication of health programs and to restrain the increase in the cost of health care. Members of the Cardinal Board are volunteers and receive reimbursement for expenses only. All members are elected to three year terms.

American Viewpoints



written upon brows, let them not be written upon the heart. The spirit should not grow old. James A. Garfield

Pharmacist Howard Brooks Pembroke Drug Center

Shellfish and cholesterol

Question: Must I stop eating shellfish to reduce my level of cholesterol? Answer: No, says Dr. Howard Eler, professor at Albert Einstein College of Medicine. Just to match the cholesterol in one egg, you'd have to eat more than one dozen oysters, or two small lobsters. Shrimp is also relatively low in choles-

Some folks are still dishing out fishy advice because they don't know that shellfish data from the 1940's were all wet! Shellfish have a clean bill of health.





The model of the proposed North Carolina Vietnam Veterans Memorial was recently approved by the North Carolina Historical Commission. Ms. Abbe Godwin, a Greensboro, North Carolina, sculptress designed the memorial after months of interviewing Vietnam veterans and reading about the war. Vietnam veterans hope the memorial will be placed on the Bicentennial Plaza in Raleigh. Donations can be mailed to the North Carolina Vietnam Veterans Memorial Committee, P.O. Box 31048, Raleigh, N.C. 27622.