

ASI SEE IT



by
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'STRIKE AT THE WIND!' 'CHURCH NIGHT' IS AUGUST 25

I just like 'Strike at the Wind!', our exciting outdoor drama about the exploits of Henry Berry Lowry, the Lumbee Indians and their Black and White counterparts during the crazy Civil War days. Men were crazy then, and passions ran high, necessary ingredients for a delightful story of one man's attempt to overcome his times, his surroundings.

Each year we try to do something to help 'Strike at the Wind!' This year is no different. Our idea this year is CHURCH NIGHT!

I have promised Carnell Locklear, the irreplaceable general manager and sometimes "Boss Strong" that I will fill up the amphitheatre this year with good and hearty church folks. And, with your help, of course, it can be done.

Here's how easy it is—simply come with your church group on August 25. And we'll spill out of the 1351 seat amphitheatre.

'Strike at the Wind!' is positive, wholesome, and something I can recommend to church groups. It's a good outing for all of us. Something we can do together.

Last year we did fairly well

but we didn't fill the place up. This year we will. I guarantee it. Just count yourself and encourage your church to take part.

We're going to give a mammoth trophy to the church that brings the most members this year. And plaques to second and third place winners. Last year's winner was Berea Baptist Church. This year we hope you'll get excited about this and let's fill up the place.

I'm going to go out on the limb and predict that we will fill up the Lakeside Amphitheatre on the grounds of the Riverside Country Club in the Red Banks Community this year. Help me get off the proverbial limb by attending Church Night August 25. Hope to see you and your church group there.

STALWART MEN AT BEAR SWAMP BAPTIST CHURCH

I went to a singing at Bear Swamp Baptist Church Sunday night, and renewed a lot of acquaintances. Like Rev. Tommie Swett, the pastor. He is now 85 years old (or young) and still afire for God, still carrying the torch of freedom for all those who will believe in a Risen Savior.

It speaks well of Bear Swamp Baptist Church that

they still honor "Preacher Tommie" and count him as their pastor. It is a mark of respect for a Man of God who has been on the righteous battlefield for many years.

In comments I also remembered the late and esteemed Mr. Pete Brooks, one of the early supporters of The Carolina Indian Voice and one of the most radical (in a good and positive manner) men I ever knew. Also, Mr. Jim Chavis, probably the best friend I ever had, who was also a longtime member of Bear Swamp Baptist Church and my spiritual mentor, before departing this life in 1979.

It is good to honor our elders; we honor ourselves when we do so.

Another stalwart man who was recently honored in the Deep Branch Community was Mr. Claude A. Sampson, erudite and still teaching the Senior Adult Men at Deep Branch Baptist Church where he has been a member for many years. Mr. Claude was honored with a dinner at the Deep Branch fellowship hall by his family and friends on the advent of his 82nd birthday.

A PLEASANT ENCOUNTER

Mrs. George Ann Dial calls Julian Pierce "the smartest student I ever had" in the many years she was a teacher in the Hoke County Schools. Recently Ms. Dial invited Mr. Pierce, now executive director of Lumbee River Legal Services in Pembroke, and myself, to a delicious dinner at her home in the Prospect Community.

It was a delightful encounter, a time of reminiscing, as we were joined by Mrs. Mary Lee Goins, another retired Hoke County Schools teacher, and Jeff Moore, a Prospect scholar, now interning at legal services before returning to law school where he is a student.

The comradeship was delightful, the food was delicious and the fellowship was uplifting. We can be joyful and kind and agreeable, as evidenced by Mrs. Dial and

To the Editor:

Conditions of sorts have not changed since the discovery of what is now called the United States of America.

To help settle and colonize this country in its early discovery and infancy, the prisons of Europe were emptied and brought to this country. These people were given their freedom this country to serve the purpose of the politicians even then.

These persons from the prisons of Europe were prostitutes, whores, rapists, murderers, thieves and all the regular prison clientele. The persons at the top in this era or time slot made sure that their cohorts and or followers were well trained in the forming and the continuity of a society still very positive in this country. Society in this country today is a monster. There is no one or no group at the top, bottom, or in between who knows how to cope with it.

In my opinion if a person has the right contact, the right amount of money, he or she can walk out of any circumstance with a clean slate. That is why I have little or no confidence in elected or appointed officials, whatever their status at the local, state or national level.

Pertaining to the recent indictments by the FBI in Robeson County as per CETA workers and displacement of monies, I am sure that the Indians involved are victims of association with the Blacks and whites in this issue. Some

Mrs. Goins who enjoy their retirement years by doing good deeds, visiting the sick and seeing America in style as they go on many tours to exotic places.

Letters To The Editor

Not a fan of the FBI

of them perhaps have become tainted with the offspring of the early settlers of this country. These allegations and accusations by the FBI have to be proven in court. The FBI has a long record of manufacturing stories to fit their purpose.

The arrest procedures of the persons indicted, will be remembered by the Indian voter in Robeson County for a long time. If not by newspaper, by telephone and or word of mouth. We will remind each other of this no class operation.

Remember the ancestors of these persons in charge of this ten cent escapade were brought out of European prisons, hundreds of years ago. In my opinion these people or persons in charge of the investigation have little or no ethics, ideas, resp. or compassion for others.

John L. Godwin
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Slightly over 46 percent of the land in America is given over to agriculture.



HERITAGE NEWS FORUM

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ASK AMY ABOUT LEAK

By Edwin Feulner

The hypocritical double standard of Washington's trendier journalists and politicians is certainly rearing its ugly little head with the current flap over Jimmy Carter's 1980 briefing book.

Assorted Reagan-haters from the Perrier set are having a field day feeding the fires of the unfolding saga of how President Reagan's campaign operatives obtained draft copies of briefing material prepared for former President Carter. Perhaps they should ask Amy. Anyone smart enough to advise a president on nuclear war probably keeps a pretty keen eye open to the goings-on in the White House.

Judging by those portions of the material printed in the press, it's hard to understand what the fuss is all about. The allegedly "strategic" material seems pretty bland. Even the recipients of the material described it at the time as "nothing spectacular." Shock! Horror! Reagan knew in advance that Jimmy Carter would denounce Republican proposals for tax cuts! Big deal. Anyone with half a brain could — and should — have expected as much.

Jimmy claims the material was a "serious loss" to his campaign. But even Tip O'Neill, the most partisan Democrat of them all, says baloney. "Briefing book or no briefing book, our candidate was extremely unpopular in the last election," he said.

So, if Carter was a turkey and bound to lose anyway, and the material varied little from a standard rafshooting of the Carter record, what's the big deal?

The press corps and Carter cronies are telling us it's the "ethics" of how the Reagan camp obtained the material. Although the details are still unknown it's clear that Carter insiders, for whatever reasons, presented it to the Reagan camp. "Theft!" the media cries. I call it a "leak."

There in a nutshell is the trendy set's double standard. No one is accusing the Reagan campaign of plotting to steal this material.

If this represents a "theft" from the White House deserving federal prosecution, WASHINGTON POST editor Ben Bradlee had better call his lawyers. Because this is a classic example of a White House "leak". You know what leaks are — the press is always complaining about the Reagan administration's attempt to plug them. "Leaks" seem to be the primary source of most stories on administration policy run in the POST, THE NEW YORK TIMES, and on the T.V. network news shows. Somebody within the White House loses a power struggle, or doesn't like a policy, so he calls up one of his journalist friends and spills the beans about what's going on. And, even if the information is classified, the press gladly runs the story in the interest of the "public's right to know."

THE NEW YORK TIMES won a Pulitzer Prize because of a leak — the Pentagon Papers. And, unlike the briefing book — a campaign document — the Pentagon Papers were highly classified files recounting years of national security policymaking. The press can't have it both ways. If printing the Pentagon Papers was ethical, then no one should expect campaign staffers to pass back a leaked briefing book unopened.

Of course, we might forgive some of the Democrats if they make any sense out of the economy figures show the economy is going to be booming like gangbusters by next fall. By the end of 1983, the G.N.P. will have grown by 5.5 percent, unemployment is expected to fall by another point, and inflation will have been cut to 4.6 percent. The opposition needs a scandal, to cover up its own sorry record and cloud the success of Reaganomics. Somehow, I fear they'll have to keep looking, though. This one is definitely third-rate.

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EDITORIAL AND OPINION PAGE

We Cannot Know Where We Are Going
If We Don't Know Where We've Been...



So fittingly we honor our Pioneer Fathers

-An Editorial Expression- RETURN SAM DIAL'S PORTRAIT TO RIGHTFUL PLACE--UP!

After an aborted appearance before the Pembroke Town Council Monday night, this editorialist is appearing before the board of directors of the Pembroke Housing Authority tonight asking them to instruct Clinton Thomas, Jr., the executive director, to put Councilman Sam Dial's portrait back where it belongs—up!

The Pembroke Town Council refused to take any action on the matter, taking advantage of the fact that Sam Dial was absent to "take no action," as Councilman Larry T. Brook's motion was stated. Brook's motion was seconded by Councilman Milton Hunt and carried. A motion by Councilman Rod Locklear "to take the matter under advisement" died for lack of a second.

Councilman Sam Dial stated to this writer that he was at the hospital with his mother who is seriously ill at the present

time in answer to my query as to why he was not at Monday night's meeting. But, in spite of the bruised feelings and the ill will generated by the issue, we continue to say as emphatically as we know how—return Sam Dial's portrait to its rightful place—up!

Editor's note: Clinton Thomas "administratively" had a portrait of Sam Dial hung at Locklear court in a prestigious ceremony in 1977 at which time Dial was lauded as "the father of Pembroke Public Housing." The portrait was taken down following the last municipal election when Dial made a spirited bid for mayor only to come up short 5 votes. Since then Thomas and Dial have become bitter political enemies. The portrait now languishes in Thomas's closet. We contend that the portrait should be returned to its rightful place—up!

"The purest and most thoughtful minds are those which love color the most."
John Ruskin

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Getting slender for life

Drinking diet colas is not the answer to staying slim, nor engaging in the non-sense of questionable weight-loss fads. To lose weight for life, you must adopt a more healthful lifestyle.

Like a prescription pill, swallow and digest this slogan: "Fear less, hope more; eat less, chew more; talk less, do more; hate less, love more."

Watch those pounds melt away. As a happier, robust you emerges, include our pharmacy for more healthful products and friendlier services.

6:40 "And this is the will of his father that everyone who seeth the Son, and believeth on him may have everlasting life: and I will raise him up at the last day."

Your Pharmacy



A FOREIGN
WOMAN
August 7, 1983

Background Scripture: Ruth.
Devotional Reading: Luke 10:38-42.

Ruth had two strikes against her. First, she was a foreigner. And secondly, she was a woman. There seemed to be little reason for anyone to either acknowledge her or remember her. Yet, she is one of only two women to have a Biblical book named after her and the story of Ruth is one of the better known ones of the Old Testament.

How remarkable it is when we consider that Ruth was not a Jewish maiden, but a Moabitess, a native of a land that sometimes was the bitter enemy of Israel. The Book of Ruth was for some Jews a bitter pill to swallow. Not only was this foreign woman held up before them as a model of love and selfless loyalty, but in the very last verse of the book we discover that Ruth was to become the great-grandmother of the greatest of all Jewish kings: David!

THE CHOSEN PEOPLE There were times in the history of Israel when there was a marked tendency for the Jews to turn inward upon themselves and emphasize the exclusiveness of their election by God. In these times Jews were enjoined not to intermarry with the Gentiles or have anything to do with them. The purity of their Israelite bloodlines was a treasure which they guarded with great fervor.

Yet, here was Ruth, a native of accursed Moab, held up as a model of virtue to the Hebrew nation! Galling as they might have found that fact, there was no denying the validity of Ruth's stature. For she personified both love and loyalty, two qualities so often in short supply. Though she was not a native Jew, she possessed the very qualities that were to be expected of God's chosen people. A Moabitess woman showed the Jews what God wanted them to be.

It was not the last time that the Bible would point to a foreigner as an example for God's people. As Jesus was to remind his people, there were many lepers in Israel at the time of Naaman, but only the Syrian general is recorded as having been healed. Jesus himself lifted up the parable of the Good Samaritan—and Samaritans were just as feared and despised as Syrians and Moabites—as the example of neighborly compassion and love.

FAVOR IN GOD'S EYES At one point in the story, Ruth asks Boaz, "Why have I found favor in your eyes, that you should take notice of me, when I am a foreigner?" The answer is apparent to us, if not to her. She has found favor in the eyes of God. For where you go I will go, and where you lodge I will lodge; your people shall be my people, and your God my God."

No one with such love and loyalty can be a "foreigner" in God's eyes.

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PLATE SALE FRIDAY



"Lumbee Pride" featuring Sally Lowry Norris.

"I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the fine people who have patronized Freda's Kwik Stop since our Grand Opening in August, 1981.

"I am proud to be a part of the Pembroke Community, and Proud to be a Lumbee. That's why Freda's Kwik Stop is sponsoring "Lumbee Pride", one of the newest and best country bands to come out of this area. Featured singer of 'Lumbee Pride' is Sally Lowry Norris, truly a fantastic singer.

"Come by Freda's Kwik Stop Friday, August 5 and dine with us. Lumbee Pride will be performing out in front of Freda's Kwik Stop and the band will be having a Plate Sale at the store to raise money for musical equipment. I invited them to hold the Plate Sale at Freda's Kwik Stop because I wanted to help...and I know you will want to help too.

"So come on by Freda's Kwik Stop at Freda's Kwik Stop. There will be Chicken or Barbecue Plates. Plus plenty of free entertainment.

"Thanks for your patronage. And thanks for supporting 'Lumbee Pride'."
--Freda Harris
Owner

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