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### Graham: There's Hope Still For World Peace

CHARLOTTE — Although the world is "living in the shadow of the bomb," there's still hope for the peace proclaimed by angels who announced the birth of Jesus Christ, evangelist Billy Graham said this week.

Graham, delivering a Christmas message to about 700 BarclaysAmericanCorp employees in his hometown, said he's constantly upset by the depression and despair he encounters during worldwide travels.

The television movie "The Day After" exacerbated a universal dread and uncertainty about the future, he said.

"We don't know. We don't know! The best brains in the world do not have any answers for us. This leads to a fear of the future," he said.

"I saw a picture the other day in a newspaper from England. It was of a young nt in a protest against nuclear weapons. He had on a jacket that had 'No Hope' on the back. ... The message of the protester's jacket is that the world has changed for the worst."

Suicide among teenagers is on the rise, which frequently is linked to growing fears of nuclear

war, he said Graham, a Baptist who lives near the North Carolina mountain town of Montreat, said he thinks "our sovreign God has other plans for the human race."

"I am still an optimist. In my heart, I have found a peace that was brought at that first Christmas," he said.

"History does not have to repeat itself. We can make a new kind of mistake and end the world as we know it. We now have the bomb - and that means the whole world is different."

Graham said he will travel to Great Britain at the end of the month to plan six outdoor evangelistic crusades in May, June and July.

### FAMILY: THE BRAYBOYS Niles Nil



BRAYBOY FAMILY: Standing left to Brayboy; Tecumseh, III; Bobby Brayboy; Brayboy Sampson. Seated are Tecumseh ght--Elaine Brayboy Haraway; Timethy Barbara Brayboy-Locklear; and Helen Brayboy; Evelyn Brayboy Grogg; Ray

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the first in a series of articles on families. We examine the Brayboy family this week, truly a remarkable Indian family, encompassing the best of the Lumbee indian spirit.

We are grateful to Mrs. Barbara

'Locklear, a long time friend, for her research and unflagging friendship in the preparation of this article.

PEMBROKE-Life is quiet these days for the couple who resides on the outskirts of the Indian town of Pembroke, North Carolina. It was not always so. The story began more than two score and ten years ago in rural Robeson County when Tecumseh Bryan Brayboy, Jr., son of a sawmill man met Eva Harris, daughter of the first Lumbee Indian physician, courted, fell in love, and married. Their life has been described by local citizenry as one with legendary flavor.

After marriage, the couple settled into a life of farming on the "Cumseh Brayboy" Place during the lean years of the depression. Both of them having grown up in rural Robeson County, appreciated the virtues of hard work and love for the earth.

Their first year together produced a low-profit crop and their first child, a daughter. The years that immediately followed brought more hard times. They, along with others, suffered from the sagging economy the war years produced. They knew the hardships of food rationing, cold tenant houses without indoor plumbing or electricity. A muledrawn wagon loaded with Brayboy children became a familiar sight on Sunday mornings at Church.

The hard times gave greater depth to the couple's philosophy--TO BELIEVE IS TO BE STRONG. Their life seemed to take on greater meaning-one of perserverance. An increasing family often led Tecumseh to seek employment outside the seasonal one of farming. This became a means for the necessary things as shelter, food and education. "Mom

### PEMBROKE JAYCEES TO SPONSOR **CHRISTMAS PARTY**

The Pembroke Jaycees are sponsoring a Christmas Party on December 25 from 8 p.m. until at the Jaycee Hut. Providing music for your entertainment will be R & R featuring your favorite hits of 1983. Coat will be \$10 per couple or \$5 single. You may pay at the door. Everyone is

accepted, too," she added. "There were two things required of us while living at home. They were attending school and did either. It was already 'put' in by our Coast. parents," she continued.

Perhaps the urgency for their children to take on the challenge of education was a result of the couple's educational experiences. Lacking the financial support of the times, the couple was unable to pursue study past secondary level. They both attended public schools in Robeson County. Their desire for the Brayboy children to acquire an education intensified; yet, income as tenant farmers did n ot afford the privilege of college tuition to nearby Pembroke State

Hidden away during the years, the answer to the financial dilemma suddenly surfaced. The children drew upon this' resource, and put to work the philosophy instilled in them by their parents.

Through each's belief in himself came strength. As a result, five of the eight children earned educational degrees past secondary level. All four Brayboy sons were awarded full work scholarships to complete studies at Pembroke State College. Consequently all four earned graduate or post graduate degrees.

Residents in the Pembroke and surrounding communities rarely recall a time when the subject of accomplishments in the field of education, athletics or service to mankind arises that the Brayboy name does not surface.

All but one of the eight children live outside Robeson County. The oldest son. Bobby Dean, is affectionately described by his siblings as the "ultimate achiever." He has earned seven educational degrees including a B.S. from Pembroke State University: M.Ed. from West Chester State College, West Chester, Pennsylvania; Ed.D. from the University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, New Mexico; M.P.H. from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill; M.A.T. from Trinity College, Washington, D.C.; C.A.G.S. from Trinity College, Washington, D.C.; Ph.D. from Pacific Western University, Encino, California, and served his country in the military, Army Branch, and active Army Reserve.

While a student at PSU, Bob was a amiliar figure on the baseball diamond

and Dad always viewed education as a His love for sports later resulted in necessary element in our lives. We various coaching and teaching positions. understood completely their stance on These assignments resulted in his repthat issue," noted their daughter, resenting the United States State De-Barbara recently. "It was one that was partment as a Goodwill Ambassador to West Africa. For four months in 1966, he coached basketball and volleyball to residents in the countries of Senegal, church. We had no input in whether we Mauritania, Mali, Upper Volta and Ivory

His professional experiences include serving as an Education Specialist with the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Washington, D.C. It was in that assignment he wrote the physical education and health curriculum for all Indian schools in the

For three years he served as Chief of ation. Physical Recruitment Support Branch, Indian Health Service, Rockville, Maryland. In this position he was responsible for recruiting medical officers for the total Indian Health Service nationwide.

From 1976-81, he served as Chairman of the Maryland Commission on Indian Affairs. In addition to his professional experiences, he has authored numerous publications. He is active in community

and civic work. He is past Master of Philanthropic Masonic Lodge #168, New Market, Md., and belongs to Almas Shrine Temple of Washington, D.C. He was awarded the PHS Commendation Medal in 1979, for valor in a lifesaving Act in 1978. Also among his coveted awards is the Humanitarian Service Award, 1981; 32nd degree Masons of the District of Columbia.

His alma mater, PSU, in 1973, awarded him its Distinguished Alumnus Award, while in 1981, another alma mater, West Chester State College honored him with the Distinguished Alumnus Award.

Bobby is founder of the Pembroke Medical and Dental Clinic in Pembroke, N.C. This clinic was opened on August 1, 1979. The clinic serves the Indians in Southwestern Robeson County, N.C. which was without medical care up to the opening of the clinic. The total planning of the clinic took nine years.

He currently serves with the U.S. Public Health Service Commissioned Corps. He is a U.S. Navy Captain-06, and is Deputy Chief of Training, National Hansen's Disease Center, Carville, Louisiana. He lives in Baton Rouge, Indiaiana with his wife, the former Engabeth Jones, a PSU graduate and former school teacher, who now attends Louisiana State University as a graduate

Upon graduating from Pembroke High School, he joined the U.S. Marine Corps, where he served as an infantryman, and earned the rank of sergeant in the three years he served, before returning to Pembroke to study at PSU. While attending college he, too, earned a reputation as the hard-hitting, quickon-his-feet Brayboy baseball player. He played four years on the varsity team. He received his B.S. degree in Physical Education, and put his athletic ability and knowledge to work in various teaching and coaching assignments before returning to the classroom as a graduate student at West Chester State College, where he received his MED in Health, Physical Education and Recre-

He currently serves as Athletic Consultant to all the state's Health, Physical Education and Recreation programs. He serves on several state sports committees, and has assisted in the writing of program descriptions, constitutions and by-laws. He recently helped author "A Manual For Sports Medicine and Interscholastic Athletics

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# PEOPLE AND PLACES AND THINGS

PLATE SALE PLANNED

Navajo Tsaile Chinle,

Strike at the Wind will have a barbecue plate sale December 22 in the Pembroke Town Park from 11 a.m. until. The price will be \$3.50 per plate which includes a drink. For more information, call 919-521-3112. **FUND RAISING FOR CANCER VICTIM** 

CARL OXENDINE JR.

A yard sale and Bake sale will be held December 23 in the Pembroke Town Park from 9 a.m. until. Proceeds from the sale will go toward medical expenses incurred by the illness of Carl Oxendine. Jr. Any donations will be gladly accepted.

For additional information contact Doris Brayboy at 521-2297 or Marilyn Oxendine at 521-4700.

THE CHRISTMAS MIRACLE

Elrod Baptist Church will hold its annual Christmas program on Friday, December 23, beginning at 7:30 p.m. "The Christmas Miracle" will be followed by refreshments served in the fellowship hall. The pastor is the Rev. Tommy Haggins. The public is cordially invited to attend.

WATCH NIGHT SERVICE

Watch Night Service will be held at Elrod Baptist Church December 31 at 10 p.m. Rev. Tommy Haggins, pastor, invites you to come and worship with them as they offer prayer for 1984 and thankfulness for 1983.

A PATH TO CALVARY

The adults of the Gossel of Grace Baptist Church will present "His Birth-A Path to Calvary" on Friday evening, Dec. 23, at 7:30 p.m, at the chruch located on Elm St., Maxton. The pastor, The second born son, Issac Timothy the Rev. Buck Bowen, and the congre-"Tim" resides in Cary, North Carolina. gation extends a cordial invitation to the public to attend.

STUDENTS MOBILIZE AGAINST

DRUNK DRIVING With the holiday season approaching its peak, potential drinking and

driving situations are abundant. "An average of 25,000 Americans lose

their lives each year in alcohol- related automobile accidents," said Steve Streater, coordinator of Students Against Driving Drunk (SADD) for North Carolina. According to Streater, an average of 70 people per day are killed by drunk drivers.

A part of Governor Hunt's Highway Safety Program, SADD is helping students and adults throughout the state save lives within their own communities.

The group's motto, "Friends don't let friends drive drunk." encourages teenagers to use positive peer pressure to. help eliminate deaths due to driving while intoxicated.

SADD Is a project of the Youth Advocacy and Involvement Office in North Carolina's Department of Admini-

**NEW YEARS EVE DANCE** 

A New Year'seve dance will be held December 31 at the Pembroke Jaycee Hut in Pembroke beginning at 8 p.m. Seats will be reserved for those who purchase tickets in advance until 9:30. Music will be provided by R & R Disco. Admission is \$10 each. Champagne and refreshments will be served. For tickets or other information contact Jimmy Goins at 521-0100 or any member of the Pembroke Jaycees.

RAEFORD LAWYER NAMED DISTRICT JUDGE

It was confirmed today that Raeford attorney Warren Pate, 39 has been named to the 12th Judicial District judge sear wacated by retrine budge for Dupree

The 12th Judicial District encompassed Hoke and Cumberland Counties. Pate will face election next November

WE'LL BE CLOSED FOR CHRISTMAS!

The office of The Carolina Indian Voice will be closed Friday, December 23. 1983 and Monday, December 26. 1983 for the Christmas holidays. We will open back up for business Tuesday. December 27, 1983.

Have a very Merry Christmas!

From all of us to all of you...

CONNEE BRAYBOY GARRY L. BARTON STEPHANIE LOCKLEAR

BRUCE BARTON



## Robeson To Share In Railroad Plan

LUMBERTON — Purchase and restoration of a 12½-mile stretch of Seaboard Systems train line from Red Springs to Parkton, previously scheduled for abandonment, will be shared by Robeson County.

The board unanimously agreed Monday to share the cost with the regional development corporation, Advancement Corp., which will

make an offer to Seaboard sometime in January.

According to Tony Smith, the estimated cost of the branch line is \$188,370 with cost for restoration approximately \$334,000. The non-profit organization and the town of Red Springs agreed to purchase the line and lease it to a short-line operator but needed, additional financial assistance, Smith said.

Commissioners needed an hour-long closed door session before rendering a decision. Commissioner did not say how much they would

Laurinburg and Southern Railroad has shown some interest in leasing the line, which Seaboard decided to close due to financial considerations. The company has also expressed interest in leasing another line marked for abandonment, the 12.7 mile branch from

Officials in Robeson County and municipalities such as Red Springs faced a major dilemma when Seaboard announced the closing of Red Springs to Parkton line.

Without services to several users of the branch line, officials said the economic impact would be devastating immediately and in the future. Advancement Corp. decided to consider purchase of the line when the Interstate Commerce Commission decided not to investigate

the proposed abandonment.

According to Smith, no sale price has been established.