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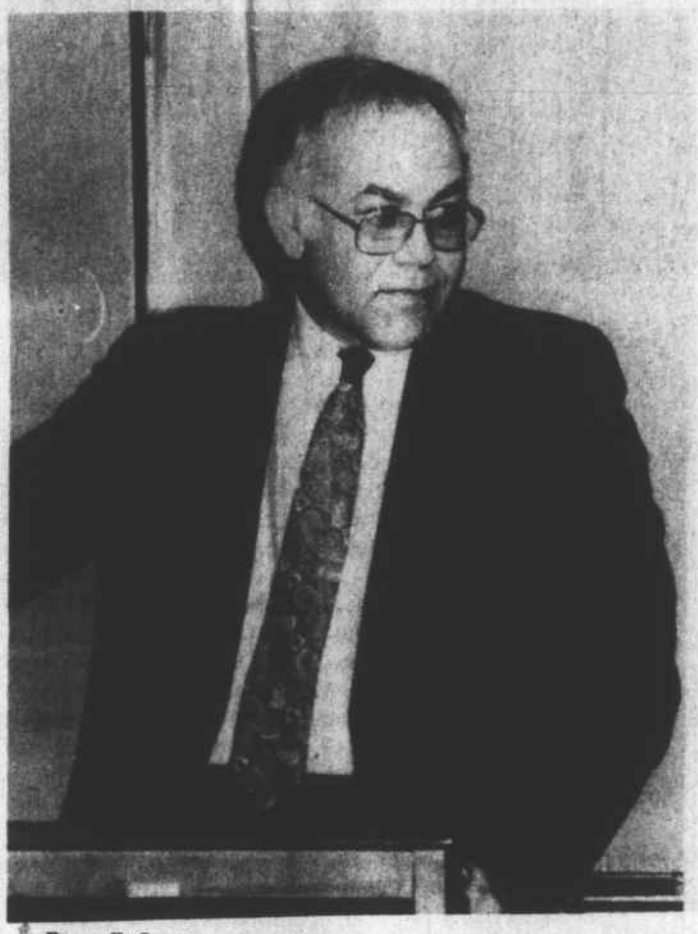
INDIAN UNITY CONFERENCE BEGINS TODAY

News deadline

In order to better serve our readers, beginning with next week's issue, a 5 p.m. Tuesday deadline for news articles appearing in The Carolina Indian Voice will be strictly adhered to. The only exception to this rule will be late breaking news stories. Our main desire is to put out as good an issue as is humanly possible, and to put that issue in your hands as quickly as possible. That is why it has become necessary for us to follow the lead of other newspapers and adhere strictly to a deadline. So, we desperately want to print your news items. But, we need your help in helping us better serve you. Deadline for ads to appear in The Carolina Indian Voice will be 12 Noon, Wednesday of the week in which they are to appear. Thanking you in advance for your assistance and cooperation, we are...

THE STAFF AND MANAGEMENT OF THE CAROLINA INDIAN VOICE

'God doesn't create any dummies' says Purnell Swett in talk at PSU



Purnell Swett, superintendent of Robeson County Schools, discusses how to achieve success in talking to Pembroke State University students.

PEMBROKE--A positive speaker all the way, Purnell Swett, who supervises 14,880 students in 26 schools as superintendent of Robeson County Schools, explained to Pembroke State University students Tuesday the ingredients to success: in the classroom and otherwise. "You know who you are. Don't let anyone put you down. You can do it," said Swett, a 1957 graduate of Pembroke State University. He also said: "God doesn't create any dummies. Everyone has something to offer. Everyone has a contribution to make." Swett, who is completing his eighth year as superintendent of Robeson County Schools, was speaking as part of PSU's "Success Sharing Series" in which successful Pembroke State University alumni are invited back to the campus to share their stories of success. In his own life--he was from a family of six boys and two girls--Swett emphasized the home environment. "I was blessed to grow up in a family where there was love and caring just about every day. Although our parents' education was limited, they gave us the best opportunities. One thing I knew as I was growing up: I was going to college. It was understood. I had two brothers, one of whom was valedictorian and the other who was salutatorian," he said, explaining that education was a way of life in his family. "Yes, we had a caring mother and father. I never heard them say a harsh word to one another. I never heard them quarrel. We were given encouragement and belief in ourselves. To succeed, you must feel good about yourself--that you can accomplish," said Swett. The belief was infused in Swett that "if you can do it, I can do it."

Many of the PSU students in his audience were ones doing their student teaching. Swett had these words for them: "If a student gets only one correct answer out of 10, praise him for that one he got right. Don't call him a dumb bunny. Encourage him." He also told the PSU students to always listen to pupils. "Someone told me the other day that I was busy as a beaver, but I always took time

PEOPLE, PLACES & THINGS

INDIANS IN ORLANDO, FLA

Rev. Tony E. Brewington has been asked by the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention to assist them in identifying and locating Native Americans in the Orlando, Fla. area. He will be there March 24-29 for that purpose. If you have knowledge of any relatives or friends living there, please call the Baptist Building in Pembroke, 521-9850 with that information before March 22.

TO CONDUCT WORKSHOP

The Scotland County Literacy Council will conduct a 12 hour workshop in an alternative reading method using Laubach materials. Attendance at each three hour session is required for national certification. The sessions will be held at the Literacy Office on North Main Street, Laurinburg from 6:30-9:30 p.m., March 18, 21, 25 and 28. Call 276-7007 to pre-register or for further information. The workshop is free and the Council has adults waiting to learn to read. Teaching hours are based on both volunteer tutor and student available time.

VOLUNTEER TUTORS RECEIVE CERTIFICATION

The Robeson County Literacy Council of the Robeson County Church and Community Center has completed a two session workshop for certification of volunteer tutors. The workshop was held Feb. 16 and 23, 1985 from 9 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. at Robeson Technical College, Lumberton. Miss Barbara Buie from the Hoke County Literacy Council, Raeford was the instructor and the Laubach method was used for the course. Upon completion of the workshop, volunteer tutors are asked to give their time, service and talents to help those who are in need of assistance in mastering the skills of communication. Classes are held twice weekly on a student/teacher basis with the individual and sometimes in clusters. Sessions are taught in reading, writing and math in relation to everyday living. The Laubach method of instruction was developed by Dr. Frank Laubach in 1930 while he was a missionary in the Philippines. His method has worldwide success, being used in 103 countries and 312 languages. In the United States it is used in 46 states. Sessions may be held wherever it is convenient, such as a church, home, school or literacy office; wherever space is available. It is found that there are many people at various age levels who are unable to read or write. Some have never attended public schools. The Robeson County Church and Community Center seeks diligently to rectify this problem, with the help of certified volunteers and other interested persons. Upon completion of each level of study, certificates of recognition are presented to each participant. Books, materials, and supplies are furnished by the Center. Persons receiving certification Lumberton are: Mrs. Lugenia Hunt, Ms. Erashia Evans, Mrs. Hazel Dilts, Mrs. Subrenna Brooks, Mrs. Mary Purcell, Mrs. Martha Pight, Ms. Yolanda Purcell, Mrs. Helen Davis, Mrs. Maureen Humphrey, Mrs. Nina Harley, Mrs. Anther Locklear, Mrs. Hazel McQueen, Raeford. The activity was co sponsored by the Adult Basic Education Department of Robeson Technical College, with special assistance from Mr. Eugene Mercer. Mrs. Roberta Scipio is coordinator of the Literacy Program for the Robeson County Church and Community Center. Rev. J.F. Cummings is Director of the Center.

ATTENDS EDUCATIONAL CONGRESS

Dr. Mary Ann Moore Masters, Optometrist, whose offices are located in Rowland and Pembroke, recently attended the 62nd Annual Southern Educational Congress of Optometry in Atlanta, Ga. At the Congress, Dr. Masters participated in educational programs designed to polish her skills as an eye care professional. The Congress offers more than 120 hours of continuing education, enabling Doctors of Optometry to become updated on the very latest diagnostic and treatment techniques through education by faculty members of the nation's top optometric colleges, as well as various experts in eye care. Each year, Doctors of Optometry come together at the Southern Congress in order to learn more efficient methods of serving patients with eye problems.

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS OF REP. DANIEL H. DEVANE

Representative Daniel H. DeVane of the 16th District announced his committee assignments for the 1985 session of the North Carolina General Assembly. They are: Appropriations-Base Budget; Appropriations-Base Budget Committee on General Government-Vice Chairman; Appropriations Expansion Budget; Appropriations Expansion Budget Committee on General Government- Vice Chairman; Banks and Thrifts Institutions- Vice Chairman; Health-Vice Chairman; Judiciary II; Law Enforcement; Pensions and Retirement; Public Utilities; Rules and Operations of the House; State Government; University Board of Governors Nominating Committee. Representative DeVane stated "This promises to be a busy and interesting session with many vital issues coming before us. I feel that the people of our district should have the opportunity for input and ask that they feel free to call or write at any time."

'Strike at the Wind!' organizes Mini Series



Shown above, left to right are the cast: back row--Quindell Locklear who portrays Boss Strong; Bobby Oxendine as the Leader; Pamela K. Barton as Mama Cumbo; Eric Sutton as Henry Berry; Ron Oliver as Shoemaker. Front row--Wynn Dion Locklear as Boy; Latonia Cox as Rhoda; Stacy Oxendine as Polly Oxendine; Carla Dial as Aunt Mary; and Chad Pierce as Wesley.

PEMBROKE--According to general manager Carnell Locklear, a mini-series of Robeson County's very own outdoor drama, "Strike at the Wind!" has been developed to be performed by children, between the ages of 8 to 12 years of age, in local schools in Robeson and surrounding counties. The mini-series is performed entirely by youngsters, who portray the familiar characters of Leader, Boy, Henry Berry, Rhoda, Boss Strong, Shoemaker John, Wesley, Polly, Aunt Mary, and Mama Cumbo. "The kids are very, very smart, and very good," said Locklear. "This type of production serves as a good tool to teach the children to think well of themselves. One will be fascinated to see these kids doing such a remarkable job," he concluded. The purposes of the "Strike at the Wind!" Mini series are: to promote cultural programs based on regional history; create more opportunities and provide wider experiences for development of youth in cultural arts; build confidence in our young people; make communities more aware of "Strike at the Wind!"; keep publicity of "Strike at the Wind!" going;

Retired Teachers to meet

ROBESON COUNTY RETIRED SCHOOL PERSONNEL TO MEET
The Robeson County Retired School Personnel will hold their March meeting March 20, 1985 at 2 p.m. at the O.P. Owens Building, Lumberton. All retired teachers are invited to attend this meeting.
Submitted by Marshall Locklear

RESIGNS...

During the Dec. 6 N.C. Commission of Indian Affairs board meeting, Jim R. Lowry, who has served as the chairman of the board of directors for seven years, resigned. The board accepted his resignation and honored his dedication and commitment to the Indian community by accepting a resolution commending Lowry for his outstanding efforts.

'Ain't Misbehavin''

"The Joint is Jumpin', the Joint is Jumpin'...", so sings "Ain't Misbehavin'", the jazz revue which won the coveted Tony Award for Best Musical of the 1978 Season. Now, after its record-breaking four-year Broadway run, Daedalus Productions is proud to present the national tour of this dazzling musical hit. This performance will be the last event in THE SEASON 1984-85, and will begin at 8 p.m. on Thursday, March 14.

Tickets are \$4.00, \$5.00 and \$6.00. For more information call The Center.

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