Editorial and Opinion Page



Along the Robeson Trail

by Dr. Stan Knick, Director PSU Native American Resource Center

in a series of articles about contact between English colonists and early Carolina, based on the writings of in 1585-86 and Thomas Harriot in

Two weeks ago I mentioned that one benefit of the journey of Wanchese increased linguistic experience had two main effects.

to comprehend and describe in more into a pap [mush]." detail than was previously possible exactly what the Native people were saying. Harriot learned the Algonkian words for many plants and animals, and for many activities of the people. as well. Second, through a more full grasp of the language Harriot gained greater insight into the culture - the ways of looking at things - of these his fellow colonists.

From a wild grass they had developed

good bread...

"It is a grain of marvelous great Algonkian Indians in coastal North increase — of a thousand...and some two thousand fold. There are three sometimes in ten, after the time they are set, and are then of height in stalk about six or seven feet. The other sort is ripe in fourteen, and is about ten feet and Manteo to England (with Barlowe high, of the stalks some bear four heads, in 1584) was that it allowed time for some three..., every head containing

> Grains of these Pagatowr plants, taken back to England and from there distributed all over Europe, would become the food that, as much as any other, feeds the world. Harriot also tells us how these Native people traditionally prepared their fields for

early Algonkians. This made it muck, dung, or any other thing, such an acre is thought to be much." possible for him to understand Indian neither plow nor dig it as we in life in a deeper sense than had any of England A few days before they American farmers knew what they Harriot's descriptions of what he instrument made almost in form of saw and learned on the 1587 voyage mattocks or hoes with long handles, together) was apparently five times are useful in our search for the women with short...parers...of a information about traditional life in foot long and about five inches in Native America. For example, he breadth, do only break the upper part illustrates that Native people had made of the ground to raise up the weeds, considerable advances in agriculture. grass and old stubs of corn stalks with their roots. The which after a day or corn: "Pagatowr, a kind of grain...the two days drying in the sun, being must be in use. Harriot was certainly same in the West Indies is called scraped up into many small impressed. maize.... The grain is about the heaps...they burn into ashes. And bigness of our ordinary English peas, whereas some may think they use the from Thomas Harriot's descriptions and not much different in form and ashes...to better the ground, I say that of traditional life in coastal North shape, but of divers colors - some then they would either disperse the Carolina. For more information, visit white, some red, some yellow, and ashes abroad, which we observed they some blue. All of them yield a do not ..., or else would take special in Old Main Building, on the campus very...sweet flour. Being used care to set their corn where the ashes of Pembroke State University.

(Author's Note: This is the eighth according to [its] kind, it makes a very lie, which also we find they are careless of. And this is all the husbanding of their ground that the

"Then their setting or sowing is Arthur Barlowe in 1584, Ralph Lane sorts, of which two are ripe in eleven after this manner. First for their corn, and twelve weeks at the most, beginning in one corner of the plot...they make a hole, wherein they put four grains, with care that they touch not one another (about an inch asunder) and cover them...again and so throughout the whole plot ... but with this regard, that they be made in the young scientist Thomas Harriot to five, six or seven hundred grains.... Of ranks, every rank differing...half a learn more of their Algonkian these grains, besides bread, the fathom or a yard, and the holes also in language. This opportunity for inhabitants make victuals, either by every rank as much. By this manner parching [roasting] them, or seething there is a yard spare ground between [boiling] them whole until they be every hole, where...they set as many First, it made it easier for Harriot broken, or boiling the flour with water beans and peas, and in divers places also...the seeds of macocquer [squash], melden [melon] and planta solis [sunflower].

> "The ground being thus set..., an English acre...doth there yield in crop...of corn, beans and peas at the least two hundred London bushels, besides the macocquer, melden and planta solis; when as in England forty "The ground they never fatten with bushels of our wheat yielded out of

This tells us that these Native sow or set, the men with wooden were doing. Their inter-cropping technique (sowing various plant types more productive than the method used by the English. When an acre produces more than two hundred bushels of corn, beans and peas (plus the other crops), without fertilizer or chemicals, sophisticated agriculture

> In the next segment, find out more the Native American Resource Center



Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, April 6

An Easter Egg Hunt will be held Saturday. April 6 beginning at 11 a.m. at the North Carolina Indian Cultural Center There is no admission charge. The egg hunt will be for children age 12 and under Prizes will be given out for decorated baskets and eggs found For more information call 910-858-3801. The event is being sponsored by the North Carolina Native American Council on Higher EduUniversity Theatre to present 'Godspell'

The University Theatre at Pembroke State University will present the musical Godspell, a jubilant celebration of the Gospel according to st. Matthew on Thursday, april 18 at 8 p.m., Friday, April 19, at 11 a.m.; and Saturday, April 20 at 2 p.m. in the Givens Performing Arts Center. Admission is \$2. For tickets or information call GPAC box office at (910) 521-6361 or 1-800-367-0778.

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This event is sponsored by the Native American Resource Center, the Departments of American Indian Studies and Mathematics and Computer Science, and the University of North Carolina Center for Public Television.

Accidents can be

Reader says O.H. Lewis, Robert Anderson trying to trick Indians

To the Editor

I am writing you to alert all Indian people about the trickery of O.H. Lewis and Robert Anderson. These two men are trying to trick Indian people just like the white men did when they bought the Island of Manhattan from Native Americans for a few trinkets. You know all those articles O.H. Lewis has been writing about LRDA in the Robesonian? They are setting up Robert Anderson to come our and endorse federal recognition for Lumbee people

Robert Anderson wants to go to Congress so bad that he will promise (LIE) to Indian people to get there. Back in 1994 and 1995, with this silly vote fraud investigation. Anderson and O.H. Lewis were calling all Indian people thieves and liars because they voted Demo-

I used to support Robert Anderson but I do not now. I know that he is sneaky, and will say anything and promise anything. He will pretend to be the friend of Indian

people now, but wait until he gets to Congress. He will forget where Pembroke is located then. I don't think that he really likes Lumbee people. I have heard from a man in Favetteville who said that Anderson calls Indians "mud people" after he drinks a few beers

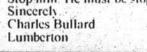
I know that he said in 1994 that he doesn't need Robeson County to win. If that is the case. Robeson County voters should not vote for

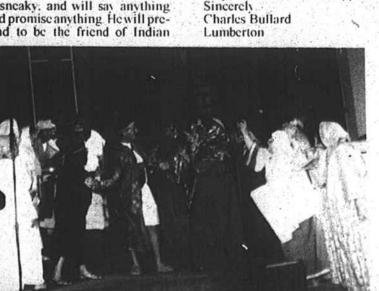
Maybe O.H. lewis' friends at the Tribal Council will let Robert Anderson get elected into their little club

Lumbee voters should look real hard at the candidate in both parties to see who is being sincere to the Lumbee people, and who is just using them for votes.

i know that Robert Anderson is ust using Lumbee people to help

Stop him. He must be stopped. Sincerely.





Easter Musical to be presented at Prospect UMC March 30

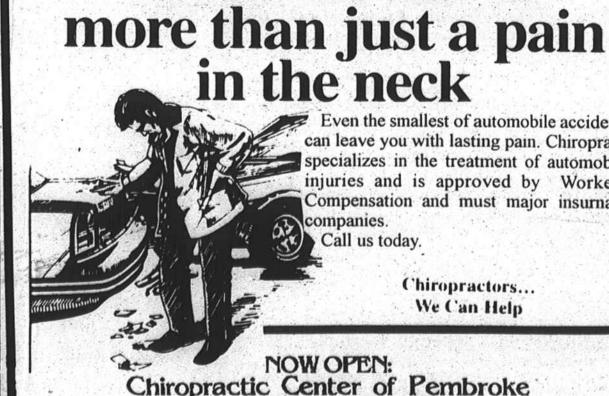
The Musical Ministries of Prospect United Methodist Church, Route 3, Maxton, will present the Musical 'Hallelujah What S Savior' on Saturday night, March 30, 1996 at 7:00 p.m. and on Sunday morning, March 31, at 10:40 a.m.

You are invited to come and celebrate with the Chancel Choir, Youth Choir and Children's Choir as they lead in the remembrance of the life, death and the Resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ. There will be solos, special lighting and other effects to enhance the Musical production. The event will be directed by Harold D. Jacobs and the part of Jesus will be played by Morris Dial.









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