Whatever happened to Zipphora Hines: Clark finds clue

By Tammi McCall **Banner** Reporter

As Bruce Clark and a local communication technician were exploring possibilities of a fiberoptics system in Merner seven months ago, they noticed a pile of ragged clothes and notebook, letters and textbooks in a dark, deserted crawl space. The materials they found has shed some light letter on the college life of of Zipphora Hines, a 1937 Bennett Belle.

The tattered, fragile, rusty, brown-stained letter laid atop ancient articles dating to 1937. Its edges were torn and its face was creased from multiple folds over decades. The faded ink, wavy alphabets and masses of misspelled words made the letter nearly impossible to read, but one can read the place of origin and the date at the far right hand side of the letter: "Dover, NC Jan 29th 1937."

"This letter appeared to be of historical value to the college," said Clark assistant professor of mass communications.

Clark reported the articles to Dr. Gloria Scott, and submitted the booty to Holgate Library's archives.

Beverly Hicks, technical services librarian, helped to sort out what was of historical value.

"Some things like materials of clothing were destroyed because they seemed to serve

Dover M.G. Jan 29th 1938 Dear Bilforak. _____ Jind in close \$ 3.00 chack will keep on sind ing for som moning each week. will do my bit it has ben so offel cold Ariam goundes do my best for yo. yo under slang of fr fail to get it monday to will get it husda let me here from yo Just soon as doget this letter quess y o Mo hour to cash The chack to give to Mrs Daugh all the three dollars do 3/ leas let me here from to at once tell them I will surge the what money i get each week all is well hope yo are well R dr no the one give me tis char Daughty he has moning here from yo at once

no historical purpose," Hicks said.

Hines' belongings include examination booklets, career survey manuals and text- her mother, were accompa-

books, made in the form of workbooks, and letters from her mother.

In several of the letters from

nied by \$3 checks.

The material clearly reflects how much some things have changed and how some things have remained the

same.

"Five years from now, I hope to be teaching and married," Hines wrote in a survey manual.

Hines also wrote that she expected to earn at least "\$1,300 to \$2,000" a year — a substantial salary during the late 1930s.

She was the only child of a farmer and homemaker, and her letters indicate that both parents supported all her college endeavors.

"My goal is to make my parents proud of me," Hines wrote.

Hines' goal to make her parents proud was apparent in her studies. Reports show that she made no less than an 80 percent average.

Even her teachers confirmed how capability as a student. When she made less than an 80 percent on a science lesson and her professor seemed to be disappointed. "This is not your work, " the professor wrote.

"Zipphora, you can do much better than this."

There is no additional evidence of Hines' status today.

Did she become that teacher, wife or college graduate? Is she still living?

Hines' belongings are stored in Bennett's archives.

The case may continue to unfold.

Belle gains induction into Medical Minority Registry

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The Spring semester usually brings about many emotions for graduating seniors. As the months roll along, they become increasingly aware that graduation is fast approaching and that ing biology major is a graduating senior ahead. She has begun planning the next phase of her life as a medical student.

Buck scored a 7.3 on the MCAT. The expected medium for African American scholars is a 6.0 and the will work together." overall average is a 8.0. As a result of her test performance she has been inducted into the Medical Minority Registry for having the highest score of all minorities on the Verbal Reasoning Area of the MCAT.

Kim Buck, a graduat- and most recently she has been accepted to Howard University.

> Buck said, "I want to be a pediatrician because I want to be able to heal others through God. I love children and I have a natural gift for biology and hopefully the two Buck has applied to several schools but has her heart set on Meharry Medical School, in Tennessee. "Meharry is like Bennett," she said. "The environment and class size is small and the teachers really seemed interested in helping the students. Buck went to observe Meharry for her interview last month.

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