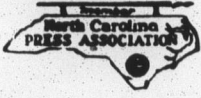


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## THIS WEEK'S BIBLE THOUGHT

**REST IN GOD'S LOVE:** It is vain for you to rise up early, to sit up late, to eat the bread of sorrows; for so he giveth his beloved sleep. Psalms 127:2.

## Greenville Aftermath

(Editorial From The Christian Science Monitor)  
 Anti-American propaganda will leap eagerly on the recent acquittal of the 28 men accused of lynching Willie Earle. It will use it to document its thesis that there are two kinds of American justice: one for white men and one for Negroes. Among millions the world over this will be one more blow at American democratic claims.

Those closer to the trial will see something else. Despite inevitable disappointment that a defense resting on nothing but appeal to prejudice should have won the day, they will recognize the solid gains represented by the trial. For the first time a lynching has been stripped in court of its dark anonymity. The law has moved clearly, decisively, and impartially to bring its offenders to light and to trial. A precedent has been set.

Even if it is true that the jury's decision—as distinct from the Court's intent—must be taken as a setback for justice, the fact remains that the skulking shadow of lynch law has also received a setback. The shocking report of another lynching in North Carolina right on the heels of the Greenville decision may seem a flat denial of such a hope. But against this, one must put the voice of the Southern press speaking out in vigorous condemnation of the acquittal.

Though one of the acquitted men, in the first flush of triumph, announced his intention of getting drunk for four weeks, and then running for sheriff, the sober second thoughts of Greenville County are likely to add up to a firmer respect for law.

Now it's up to North Carolina to carry on the fight for justice.

## Edenton—Lover Of Justice

True love of justice was exemplified in historic Edenton so long ago in the example set by its citizens during the Eggleston rape case. Despite the sickening, foul aspects of this nefarious deed, the people were determined that a fair trial by the Court should determine the guilt of an accuser and mete out the justice to the accused Negro, who was finally sentenced to life imprisonment at hard labor.

Edenton runs true to form and bears out a description given by the historian Bancroft who spoke of the colonial capital as "A colony from civilized life, scattered among the forests, resting on the bosom of nature, with absolute freedom of conscience, where benevolent reason was the simple rule of their conduct."

Significant, too, is the fact that the trial was held in the famous Chowan County Courthouse in Edenton, which was built in 1767. In continuous use since colonial days, it stands as the symbol of the justice dispensed in it for close to two hundred years.

Justice-loving Edentonians stand behind their governor, and back his courageous stand. True sons and daughters of proud North Carolina—God's North Carolina—the cradle of liberty—do not tolerate the taking of the law by brute mobs!

## Turn On More Light!

During the recent election in Edenton more or less of an issue which developed was what might be termed "Turn on the light" on the activities, as well as the handling of finances by both the Board of Public Works and Town Council. The general impression prevailed that the affairs of both Boards should appear in public print, as well as at least an annual financial statement. For years the minutes of Town Council have appeared in The Herald each month, together with the bills which are ordered paid, and in the same minutes appear the bills which are approved by the Board of Public Works for payment.

The County Commissioners, too, publish the minutes of each monthly meeting, which includes the bills ordered paid. While the "light is being turned on", there are two other Boards in Chowan County which spend a substantial portion of the County tax dollar, this amount going for schools. There are two Boards which participate in spending this tax money, the County Board of Education and the city administrative unit. They hold regular meetings, and while as many people in Edenton and Chowan County are as much interested in schools as they are any other phase of city or county government, they have no opportunity to see in public print any of the proceedings or financial transactions. Of course, the meetings and minutes are open to the

# HEARD & SEEN

By "BUFF"

Last week Jim Daniels spent a few days in Asheville, so now it is the Misses' term. Mrs. Daniels and Mrs. George S. Harrell will leave Sunday for new York, but unlike Jim, they are going on business, for Mrs. Harrell will buy fall merchandise for Badham Bros., while Mrs. Daniels will buy for her Tots and Teens Store.

And speaking about Asheville, a group of Lions were there this week just after a quartet of Red Men spent a part of the previous week there. Here's hoping the Lions didn't do too much checking up. At any rate, somebody must have had a hard job making Asheville, for it must have taken a lot of scooping to dig a valley and pile the dirt all around the place—and there're big piles, too, if you ask me.

All kinds of signs are seen on the way from Edenton to Asheville, but one which impressed me most was in Marion, where Doc Frank Wood hails from. On signs on each end of the town appeared: "We love our children, please drive carefully."

County Treasurer George Hoskins was called upon at the mass meeting Tuesday night to present some figures after it was learned that it will take over a million bucks to do what should be done in the county. George had the figures with him but not enough figures to do what ought to be done.

About the worst thing that happened while I was at Asheville last week was the omission of Peter Carlton's picture in his column, which was not noticed until almost all of the papers were printed. About the worst thing that happened in Asheville was when Arthur Hollowell emerged from a barber shop after getting a shampoo with his hair parted in the middle. He soon had to comb his hair on the side, for the Edenton gang figured he looked too "sissy."

They surely raise queer chickens in Asheville, too, if you ask me. Several times I ordered fried chicken and the bloomin' thing in one instance had only one leg and two necks. Another time the scudder must have had only one leg and three wings. Breasts—nope, I don't think they have any up that way.

Quite an attraction in front of The Herald office Wednesday afternoon and one which threw The Herald a few minutes late, was a 1902 model Sears Roebuck automobile. It was driven by J. J. Ruth of York, Pa. (my home town) who was on his way from the Atlantic coast to the Pacific coast. One thing Mr. Ruth will not have to worry about is flat tires, for on the thing are rubber-tired buggy wheels. The contraption is propelled by a chain, so that Friend Ruth will hardly get picked up for speeding, as he says it will not run over 35 miles per hour. It attracted a lot of attention and is a far cry from the present model automobiles.

Just as this column is about completed I received a letter from Doc George Crawford and his wife, Aileen, who are now in Havana, Cuba. "What a place," wrote Doc, "much beauty with many smells." After seeing the island, he says it will be nice to stay in Edenton for awhile.

Captain J. L. Pettus has a strawberry patch at his home, but the birds were getting more of the strawberries than he was. He was complaining when a friend told him that if he placed pieces of rubber hose among the plants, the birds would think they were snakes and stay out. He did it, and it worked fine the first morning, he says, for he heard a couple catbirds in a tree yelling "Snake, Snake." He thought he had the problem solved, but along came a sparrow which apparently was like the old blind mule (if it didn't give a damn) and before long the birds were back in such numbers that he thought they'd carry away even the pieces of hose.

Women sure have some crazy styles. Take the shoes now, for instance. They parade around with their toes and heels sticking out, only a strap holding a sole to their feet. Well, that's one style which will require 'em to wash their feet more often than by wearing regular shoes.

Well, the Albemarle League is scheduled to open next Sunday. If interest is as keen as it was last year, when in the dickens can we have any kind of meetings in Edenton?

public, but how many interested people have the time or the affrontery to request a show of the minutes?

The purpose of this editorial comment is not to cast any reflection whatever upon any member of either of the school boards, but, like other groups spending tax money, it seems that publishing of the minutes would serve a dual purpose, that of informing those who pay the bill, as well as curbing criticism of school officers on the part of some who are not informed as to what is actually being done nor how the money is being spent.

To nip in the bud any belief that this comment is made for the purpose of boosting Herald business, it might be well to state that a small charge is made for publishing minutes, which frequently is not enough to even cover the cost of putting the minutes in type, so that it is absolutely not from that angle that this piece is written.

The Herald believes many people would like to know what is being done by the school boards and that they are entitled to be informed by the appearance of the minutes and financial transactions in public print. While turning on the light, let's turn it all on.

## Future Farmers Are Proud Of New Bull

## Louis Mond's Is Keeping Bull at Tyner For Local Federation

The Chowan Chapter of the Future Farmers of America are very proud of their federation bull which was given by the Sears Roebuck Foundation. The keeper of the Federation bull is Louis Mond's of Tyner.

This bull is to be owned and registered in the name of the Albemarle Federation, and by the federation advisor.

The location of the bull is to be determined by local F.F.A. advisors and district supervisors. This committee will visit and check prospective locations, and not to exceed one per chapter.

Details and plans for the care and management of the bull is to be outlined by F.F.A. advisors and district supervisor.

There will be a Sire Show at the State Fair at Raleigh in October, when the bull and bulls from other federations will be inspected by a sifting committee in September, and the undesirable bulls will be disqualified for the Raleigh show.

There will be ten registered Hereford heifers awarded as prizes for the best 10 out of 50, valued at \$100 each at the Raleigh show in October. A cash award of \$25 will be made to each of the additional federations that qualify and show bulls at the show. These awards are to be the property of the individual in each federation that keeps the bull, and in three years the bull becomes the property of the boy who keeps him.

## Rotarians Treated To Fine Musical Program

Rotarians at their meeting last week were treated to a rare musical treat in a program tendered by Misses Susan Thigpen, Charlotte Bunch, Suzanne Speight and Carolyn Swindell. The girls were introduced by Mrs. Frank Elliott.

Miss Thigpen sang a solo, accompanied on the piano by Charlotte Bunch, which was followed by a trio by Misses Thigpen, Speight and Swindell, with Miss Bunch at the piano.

Carolyn Swindell then sang a solo, accompanied by Susan Thigpen, and the latter completed the program by playing a piano solo.

The delightful program was arranged by Mrs. Wood Privott, pianist for the Rotary Club.

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## Varsity Club Dance In Armory June 6th

## Jimmy Weathers And Orchestra Will Furnish Music

Sponsored by the Edenton Varsity Club, a dance is scheduled to be held in the Armory Friday night, June 6, from 9:30 to 1:30 o'clock. Music will be furnished by Jimmy Weathers and his orchestra. Jimmy is now leader of one of North Carolina's best college bands. He is a former Edentonian and is well remembered by his many appearances in musical entertainments while attending Edenton High School.

The dance is widely advertised and members of the Varsity Club are hopeful that it will be one of the best dances held in Edenton in recent years. Tables are available for parties, for which arrangements should be made in advance.

## Betty Thigpen Wins Medal At Louisburg

Miss Betty Thigpen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Thigpen, was graduated from Louisburg College Monday of this week. During the exercises Miss Thigpen was presented the Brantley medal, which is awarded to the best all-around girl

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and boy student each year. The faculty chooses the student by secret ballot, and the winners are not revealed until the day of graduation.

Fred Davis received the award for the best all-around boy student.

## ATTEND GRADUATION

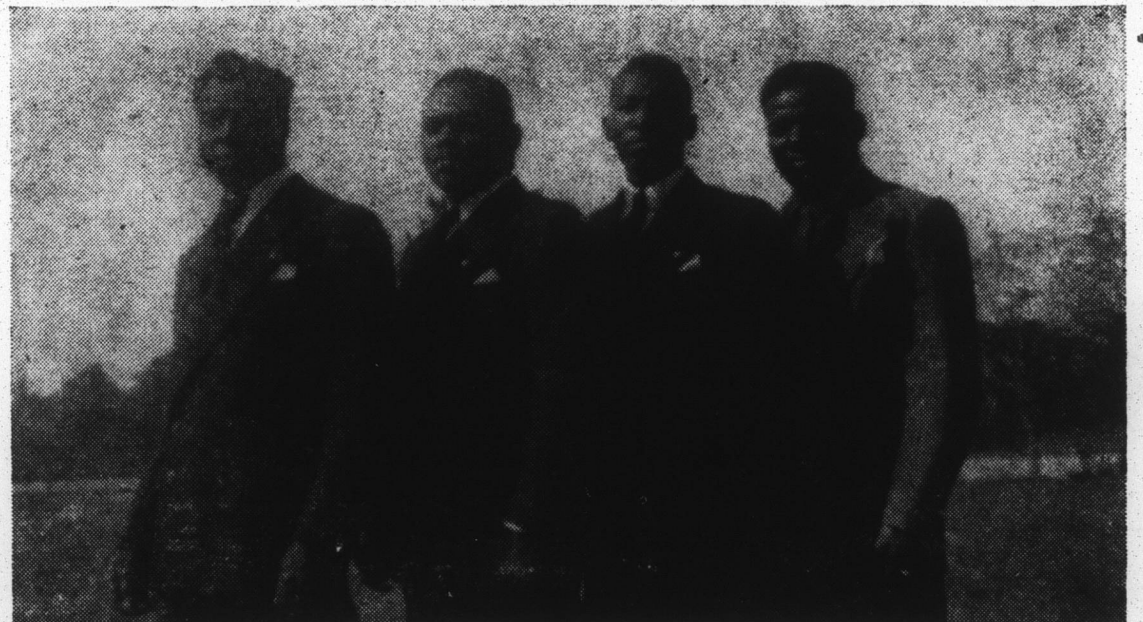
Mr. and Mrs. Earl Goodwin plan to leave Friday morning for Buena Vista, Va., where they will attend graduation exercises at the Southern Seminary Junior College. Among the graduates will be their daughter, Miss Betsy Goodwin, who completed a course as medical secretary.

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 Children, 55c In Advance. 75c at Door.

**Public Is Invited To Program**

# Chowan Mutual Produce Exchange

(INCORPORATED)  
 EDENTON, N. C.

Announces Opening of the Auction Block at Valhalla  
 MONDAY, JUNE 2, 1 P. M.

During the summer, sales will be held for the sale of various kinds of farm produce, the sales to be conducted by Francis Hicks, well known and experienced auctioneer.

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