

# This is the Law



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### Larceny Of Pigs

Three pigs, owned by Henry Hough, escaped from the farm of their owner and wandered over to the farm of Matthew Moore. After running at large on the Moore farm for about two weeks, they were caught and shut up for a few days. Moore made inquiry as to whose pigs they were, and not finding this out, requested his brother, Mark, who lived on an adjoining farm, to take him and the three pigs to town for the purpose of selling the pigs. The three pigs were sold to John Johnson.

Subsequently, Matthew Moore discovered that the pigs he bought to Henry Hough. He returned to town and paid back to John Johnson what he had originally paid for the pigs. Two of the pigs were returned to Hough, but the third one was not because he had been butchered by Johnson. Moore paid Hough for the pig which had been slaughtered and could not be returned.

Both of the Moore brothers were indicted for the larceny of three pigs. Were they guilty?

Yes. This was an actual case before the Supreme Court of North Carolina in 1943. The jury convicted both of the Moore brothers of larceny and the Supreme Court found no error in the charge of the jury by the trial judge.

If a person finds lost property and keeps it intact for the owner, he has committed no wrong; but if he finds lost property on his land or elsewhere, and takes it with the intention at the time of stealing it, he is just as guilty of larceny as if he had gone in the nighttime and stolen it secretly.

In a case decided by the Supreme Court of North Carolina this year, larceny was defined as "the felonious taking and carrying away from any place at any time of the personal property of another, without the consent of the owner, with the felonious intent to deprive the owner of his property permanently and to convert it to the use of the taker or to some other person than the owner."

Mark Moore was convicted along with his brother because he aided and abetted in the commission of the crime.

If a stray horse, mule, cow, hog or sheep should come upon your land, you may shut the animal up, but you cannot kill, sell or harm it. You should inform the owner, if known. If the owner is unknown, within ten days you must inform the register of deeds and have him institute a legal proceeding for the public sale of the animal.

### 20 YEARS AGO

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Simple in every respect, symbol of the life he lived, was the funeral of Dr. R. B. Drane, with the body buried in the rear of the church.

Determined to make an effort to attract to Edenton its rightful amount of business, a grand jury number of Chamber of Commerce members met in the Municipal Building to discuss ideas to improve trading conditions.

Chowan County Commissioners were in favor of illuminating the tower of the Court House during the Christmas season if the town agreed to pay for the current consumed.

Dr. W. S. Griffin appeared before the County Commissioners in behalf of an adequate dental clinic to last 11 weeks. The Commissioners were in accord with the clinic and agreed to comply with the request for \$45 as part of the cost.

Mrs. A. D. Ward, in a letter to the County Commissioners, called attention to the lunch room at Chowan High School being greatly handicapped due to lack of equipment, especially a stove. Reluctant to make an outright appropriation for fear of setting a precedent, the Commissioners appropriated \$50 to

the United Charities which, of course, was earmarked for use in purchasing a stove for the lunch room.

Ed Bond Post of the American Legion changed their meeting place from the Red Men hall to Hotel Joseph Hewes.

The Edenton High School Band went to Raleigh to play in the American Legion parade held in observance of Armistice Day and at the State Duquesne football game.

Miss Judy Cozzens accepted a position on the staff at Kingsley Settlement House in New Orleans, La.

Tax listing time was changed from April to January, as now in effect.

At an Arbor Day program presented at the Edenton school each grade in the school planted a tree purchased by them, which was so marked and nurtured by them.

### Edenton Jaycees At Meeting Of Board

Six Edenton Jaycees attended a Junior Chamber of Commerce board meeting held in Rocky Mount Sunday. At the meeting the Jaycees reaffirmed one of the basic Jaycee beliefs, "that faith in God gives meaning and purpose to human life."

State Jaycee President Al Harrison presided over the meeting and told his audience "We have reached the half-way mark in this Jaycee year. It is time to ask ourselves where we have been and how fruitful our efforts really are. If we are to render service to the communities in which we live, we must not be blinded by the things that begot publicity alone. Many deeds go unfulfilled in a community because they aren't considered important enough. It is these minor, insignificant needs that tend to grow into problems. Be aware of your community's needs—open your eyes and be able to recognize a need when you see it."

The Edenton group included West Byrum, Jr., George Lewis, Scott Harrell, Tom Ridgeway, Warren Twiddy and Bill Eastlering.

### Councilmen Held In Long Session

Continued From Page 1, Section 1 charges made in other towns for cemetery lots. Mr. Bunch had reports from 19 towns, all except one of which was considerably higher than Edenton's charge. At present the price of a lot for an Edenton resident is \$80 and \$120 for non-residents. Mr. Bunch's report showed that other towns charge as much as \$750 for a resident and \$900 for



STATE VISIT—Princess Grace of Monaco chats with French Premier De Gaulle in Paris. She and her husband, Prince Rainier made an official visit to the city.

a non-resident.

It was pointed out that for the fiscal year 1958 the cemetery income was \$1,070 while the expenses amounted to \$2,000. To June, 1959, the income was \$1,500 compared with an expenditure of \$2,039.44. While the Councilmen are considering increasing the cost of cemetery lots, no action was taken Tuesday night, and in connection with the cemetery discussion Councilmen Bunch and Elton Forehand were instructed to investigate a possible location for a colored cemetery.

Councilman George Alma Byrum presented a report relative to a meeting with a representative of Greenbriar Farms. It was recommended that many old and disfigured trees be taken down on Broad Street and replaced with new trees. The suggestion was that 12 live oaks, 24 pin oaks and 30 crepe-myrtle trees be planted. Action on the proposal was postponed pending the outcome of the proposition of the Edenton Woman's Club relative to improving the Court House Green and a square at the foot of Broad Street. A sketch of the proposed Court House Green improvement, presented by the Community Planning Committee of the Edenton Woman's Club, was also discussed but no action was taken pending an estimate as to the cost of the project.

The Council accepted a resolution complying with the requirements of the N. C. Firemen's Pension Fund.

Elton Forehand, who was instructed to secure suggestions for a name of the street in the industrial park, presented the following Mattacomack, Shaftes-

bury, Chevin, Seabrook and Gardner. Because there is no urgency in adopting a name, the selection was postponed until a later date.

The committee considering a municipal building and fire station had little to report except a considerable amount of time was spent considering the funds with which to carry on the project.

During the meeting Mayor John Mitchener paid a glowing compliment to the Edenton Police Department for its efficient work in handling traffic at football games, as well as a number of other activities of the police.

### Training Course At Providence Church

Every Thursday night at 7:30 o'clock the Sunday School teachers' training course is held at the Providence Baptist Church. The purpose of the course is to train the teachers and other officers in order that a standard Sunday School may be obtained that they will be able to teach Sunday School more effectively.

At present, two books are being studied alternately. The books are "Building A Standard Sunday School" and "Sunday School Officers and Their Work". They tell how to build or maintain a standard Sunday School and the qualifications and responsibilities and many other interesting things that go for the betterment of a Sunday School. The Sunday School lesson for the coming Sunday is discussed and a teacher from each department teaches the lesson just as it is taught Sundays.

Each member of the course is asked to bring some one.

### Edenton Planning Peanut Festival

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will take place on November 28. The girl selected will be awarded \$100 in cash. All candidates will receive a gift.

Bands in surrounding communities have also been invited to participate in the parade.

DuLaney said the affair will point up the importance of agriculture in eastern North Carolina, especially peanuts which are so important to the economy. It should focus attention on this valuable commodity.

During the Festival 24 business firms will also give out tickets which will be drawn on November 28 for cash prizes amounting to \$300. Other prizes will be offered by individual firms.

Those underwriting the cost of the Peanut Festival are Belk-Tyler Co., Mitchener's Pharmacy, Tots & Teens, Ralph E. Parrish, Elliott Co., Hughes-Parker Hardware, M. G. Brown Co., Edenton Restaurant, Hoskins Texaco Service, Bill Perry's Texaco Service, Jill Shoppe, Sports Specialties, Cuthrell's Department Store, Quinn Furniture Co., Byrum Hardware, Colonial Furniture Co., Hollowell's Pharmacy, Betty Shoppe, Griffin's Musicenter, John J. Ross, Jeweler, Malone's 5 & 10c Store, P & Q Super Market, Sears-Roebuck, Phthisic's Super Market, Chowan Herald, radio station WCDJ, Northeastern Milling Co., and Hobbs Implement Co.

### John W. White On USATRECOM Staff

The appointment of John W. White, aeronautical research engineer (power plant), to the staff of the Army Transportation Research Command (USATRECOM) Fort Eustis, Virginia, was announced early this week by Colonel Vancel R. Beck, commander USATRECOM. White has been assigned to the Aero-mechanics Division USATRECOM Aviation Directorate.

A native of Merry Hill, White attended Oak Ridge Military Institute, Oak Ridge, N. C., and received his bachelor of mechanical engineering degree from North Carolina State College in 1951. Upon graduation, he received a regular commission in the U. S. Air Force where he served for 39 months in various capacities, including a tour in Japan with the Far East Air Logistics Force.

After termination of his military service, he was employed by the Martin Company, Baltimore Division until his recent appointment to USATRECOM. During his affiliation with the



CENTER LINE — A forestry worker stands near a crack in the road at West Yellowstone, Mont., following the earthquake that struck the area.

Martin Company, White was engaged in work dealing with propulsion systems for a number of advanced design projects.

White is the son of Martin H. White, superintendent of maintenance for Carolina Trailways in Raleigh. He is married to the former Miss Josie Marie White of Edenton and they have two sons, Paul, 7 years and Bill 4 1/2 years.

### JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES TO MEET IN ROCKY MOUNT

According to a statement made here this week by J. C. Hall, presiding minister of the Edenton Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses, about 13 delegates from Edenton will attend the three-day circuit assembly being held in Rocky Mount Friday, Saturday and Sunday, November 13-15, at the Community Center on Albemarle Avenue. About 600 delegates from 19 towns and communities in North Carolina and Virginia will be there.

The featured event of this convention will be a public talk Sunday at 3:00 P. M., by James A. Thompson, Jr., district supervisor and assembly chairman on the subject "When Is God's Will To Be Done On Earth?"

### SOCIETY MEETS

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Providence Baptist Church met at the home of Mrs. Emily Brooks Monday night, November 9. The meeting was opened by singing "What A Friend We Have In Jesus". Scripture and prayer was by Miss Ellis. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved and various committees made their reports. "Get well" cards were sent to the sick in the community. The turkey dinner held at

Mrs. O. S. Charlton's Sunday was a great success. The club members were very pleased at the amount raised by the effort. The club wishes to thank everyone who helped make the affair so successful.

The door prize was won by Mrs. Dinah Valentine. Refreshments were served, after the close of the meeting.

An acquaintance that begins with a compliment is sure to develop into a real friendship. —Oscar Wilde.

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box 19c

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**TIDE**  
box 31c

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doz. 49c

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1/2 gal. 59c

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can 10c

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