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Founders Day

January 23, 1973, marked the 186th anniversary of the founding of Louisburg College. This year's Founder's Day program was highlighted by an address by Edwin Gill, Treasurer of the State of North Carolina. The program took place at 11:00 a. m. in the College auditorium.

In the absence of Dr. Cecil Robbins, Vice President David Daniel presided. The Reverend Mr. Carl Settle, College Chaplain, began the proceedings with an invocation, followed by a welcome to all present by Vice President Daniel. The Chapel Choir, under the direction of Miss Sarah Foster, provided music for the occasion. Mr. Gill was then introduced by his close friend the Honorable Edward F. Yarborough, Louisburg attorney and member of the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees of Louisburg College.

Mr. Gill delivered a talk which most of his hearers seem to consider inspiring. He paid special tribute to the youth of today, explaining that their attitudes and innovative ideas are often ignored.

"Youth, of course, is the great age. It combines innocence with enthusiasm. It is the age of great physical strength. It is the age of happiness. Each

rising generation contributes to change and renewal. So, you see, youth is almost perfect perfect-it only lacks experience! Since experience only comes with time, young people have one shortcut that they can take to maturity, and that is through the study of history."

Mr. Gill ended his remarks by commenting on the relationships of family, church, and school with a special emphasis on the private or church related colleges and their urgent financial needs at the present time.

The speaker was born in Laurinburg and educated in the public schools there and completed his education at Trinity College (now Duke University) in Durham. He was admitted to the North Carolina Bar in 1924 and practiced law in Laurinburg for seven years. He began his career in public service in 1929, representing Scotland County in the General Assembly. After his legislative tenure, he was selected by Governor O. Max Gardner to be his private secretary. Mr. Gill was then appointed as North Carolina's first Commissioner of Paroles. Another challenge came when he was appointed Commissioner of Revenue. In 1949, he left the government and became a partner in the firm of Gardner, Morrison, and

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Dr. Robbins To Address Student Body

For the first time in two years the President of Louisburg College, Dr. Cecil W. Robbins will address the Student Body on Tuesday morning, February 13, 1973, at eleven A. M.

Dr. Robbins will be the featured speaker of the second required assembly since their installation on January 16, 1973. After Dr. Robbins' brief address there will be a panel discussion on the problems facing the students as well as the college, with the following members of the staff and administration serving as members of the panel: Mr. David E. Daniels, Administrative Vice President, Mr. John B. York, Academic Dean, Mr. Billy Parrish, College Treasurer, and Mr. Louis P. Waskey, Director of Foods and Services. C. Ray Pulliam, President of the Louisburg College Student Government Association will serve as moderator for the assemblage.

Through the combined efforts of the Student Government Association and the administration of the college this particular required assembly has been set up to help and solve some of the problems plaguing the majority of the student body during this 1972-73 academic year. The students it is hoped will come with their questions, as well as their problems and hopefully the members of the panel can give a definite answer or a solution in reference to the question or problem.

All students, faculty, and staff are asked to be on time so this second required assembly can start promptly at 11 A. M.

John Miller

College Arts Committee Awarded Educational Grant

Folk Music Set For March 23

The Committee for Arts and Lectures at Louisburg College has been awarded a grant of \$800.00 from the North Carolina Arts Council for research and development of a Franklin County Folk Music Project during the current semester. According to Allen de Hart, the Project Director and Director of Cultural Events at the College, the educational project will be concluded March 23, when a public concert is presented in the College Auditorium.

The special grant-in-aid was awarded to support emphasis on indigenous performing arts, and to recognize the grass-roots nonprofessional musicians, vocalists, and composers in Franklin County. A major research goal will be to reveal the dormant and often forgotten traditional heritage of the early music of the County.

Franklin County natives, or residents who have lived here for the past ten years, may participate in the program. At the final auditions, folk art professionals will judge the winners in each musical

category. "One objective," said de Hart, "is to offer the nonprofessional performer a chance to express indigenous music before the public. Every county has a number of local citizens with reservoirs of ballads and traditional music which the public would like to hear. They deserve recognition."

Research will include participants in guitar, harmonica, banjo, autoharp, zither, violin, and jew's-harp. Solo folk vocalists and folk string bands will also be considered. There is no age limit.

Award winners of this research project will be invited to provide at least one community concert performance in the surrounding counties of Nash, Vance, Warren, Halifax and Granville.

As this non-matching grant from the Arts Council is a first of its type, the Committee accepts the challenge to enrich community involvement and service in the educational arts. All interested persons may contact Allen de Hart at the College.



Arts Committee

Pictured above is the Louisburg College for Arts and Lectures as it met last week for a planning session at the Cecil W. Robbins Library. Shown, left to right seated are: Lance Dawkins, technical director, Jeanne Turnage, Sarah Foster, Mrs. Mrs. Marcia McCredie, Jackie Smith and Mrs. Julia Kornegay. Standing, left to right, Carl Settle, Lynn Chambers, Bob Butler, Allen deHart, project director, Dr. William Rose and James Aubrey. Not present when picture was made, Don Richardson. Honorary Community Consultants are: C. T. Dean, Mrs. Edith Anderson, Thilbert Pearce and Mrs. Maragret Gupton.