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## Flag Unfurled In Burst Of Oratory At Lions Dinner

### Part Emblem Has Played In Peace and War Told

#### TAYLOR SPEAKER

### Club Goes To Plymouth And Elizabeth City Next Week

Secretary W. J. Taylor, who mingles that duty with his superintendency of county schools, theoretically brought the Lions Club members to their feet a-shouting at their weekly supper meeting Monday night, when he launched into a discussion of the flag and all it stands for and means. Mr. Taylor's talk, one of the most feeling of any ever heard at the club meetings, intended to make a George Washington speech in honor of the First President's birthday this week, but soon forgot his subject and spoke on the flag instead, and spoke in a manner that is bound to make him in demand as an after dinner orator.

From the days of Ghensiz Khan on down through the Alexander and Caesar wars, Mr. Taylor said the flag, actually founded as an emblem of peace and security, had ever been a token of inspiration on the battlefield and had led countless hosts to victory throughout the world. The speaker made numerous references to the part it played in Biblical struggles, notably Joshua and his seven times around Jericho, and Saul in his heroic struggles against the Philistines. In these campaigns, Mr. Taylor said the flag bearers led the warring forces and were reckoned of as commanding importance as the generals themselves. Although he was not positive of the fact, the speaker said he felt certain that the Boy David had a small flag insignia pinned to his tunic the afternoon he went out with a sling shot and knocked Goliath's block off.

These historical references as to the use of the flag in war and the better place it has in peace provoked much applause at the finish of Mr. Taylor's address, and he was asked to put his extemporaneous remarks on paper so they could be published as a club document. This the blushing secretary said would be impossible.

Next week will be a sort of visiting week for the local Lions. There will be no meeting on next Monday, but instead on that date the club will visit in Plymouth at the charter night of the club there, and all the members are expected to be present. President Geddes Potter made that an special appeal. Two nights later, on Wednesday, February 26, the members will attend another charter night celebration, this time in Elizabeth City, the first charter night for the club there. This is expected to be a large occasion and the Edenton Lions will take along a large silk flag as their gift to the Pasquotank metropolis organization. Naturally, of course, Secretary Taylor will make the presentation and the Elizabeth City Club is in for another good speech on the national insignia.

## Court House Lighting Now About Completed

The Floars Electric Company has about completed its contract for protective wiring at the Court House, and on Monday brought joy to Sheriff Bunch by carrying-on in his office. At the Court House Clerk R. D. Dixon's office as well as that of the County Register of Deeds have been illuminated by the highly modern fluorescent lights, which give a daylight flame and are being much admired.

The Floars folk had one left over and surprised the Sheriff on Monday by placing it in his wild west office opposite the hotel.

## High School Band At Tulip Festival

Edenton's "Pride of Edenton" band, which brought home the monetary side of bacon from the Peanut Festival in Suffolk, Va., is out for still more remunerative pelf. Director C. L. McCullers has accepted an invitation to take the band again to Washington at the spring Tulip Festival in April, at which four money prizes will be offered for the best visiting musical organization. Which, of course, means Edenton.

## Brandis Chief Speaker Fourth Public Forum

Henry Brandis, of Chapel Hill, chief assistant to Albert Coates, of the Institute of Government, addressed the fourth Public forum at the school library last Friday night. Mr. Brandis gave a resume of taxes in North Carolina, his work making him particularly familiar with his subject.

Mr. Coates was scheduled to address the gathering, but was unable to be present. About 50 persons were in attendance and enjoyed Mr. Brandis' remarks.

## Symphony Orchestra Concert March 21

A postponement of the date for the appearance of the North Carolina Symphony Orchestra, in which so many Edenton music lovers are interested, scheduled for tomorrow, February 21, has been made to March 21, one month later. The affair to be held in Elizabeth City under the sponsorship of the Elizabeth City Music Club, is expected to draw well and tickets can be secured here from either Mrs. Wood Privott or Mrs. W. D. Pruden. The orchestra will be one of a series of four similar musical feasts. On March 7 there will be a harp and baritone solo concert, on April 1 Martha Lip-ton, in a contralto concert, and later, date yet to be selected, a concert by the Elizabeth City High School band.

## Mardi Gras Trip On For Wilkins

### Philco Contest Winner Fourth Time; Goes Tomorrow

Walter M. Wilkins, head of the Quinn Furniture Company, is off tomorrow (Friday) for New Orleans and its gay and festive Mardi Gras. He goes as the fourth-time winner in the Philco Radio selling contest, and is to have a week's enjoyment in the Louisiana metropolis as the company's guest.

The Wilkins-Quinn victory this year is particularly pleasing to the rotund genial councilman and has many town friends, inasmuch as it was the outcome of a national contest waged by the Philco people, instead of one carried on in this district.

It is the fourth time prize honors for the largest selling in a population ratio contest has come to Mr. Wilkins and his staff of salesmen. Last year his chief aide, T. B. Willford, was sent to Cuba for a week as the Quinn Company representative, and on two other occasions similar prize trips have been enjoyed.

But with such victory in his possession this year, and because of the possibility of more warmth in New Orleans, Mr. Wilkins decided to take the Philco guest personally on this occasion, and tomorrow starts in regal style with the Philco folk paying all expenses en route and while at the Mardi Gras.

He expects to be back on the job before March 1.

## Unanimity Lodge To Give Dinner

Members of Unanimity Lodge, No. 7, A. F. & A. M., are planning to hold a banquet at the Hotel Joseph Hewes on Tuesday night, April 1, with Superior Court Judge Henry L. Stevens as the honor guest and principal speaker. Definite arrangements for the feast have not been completed as yet but that success is assured is evidenced from the fact that the affair is in the hands of Jim Daniels, H. A. Campen and E. W. Spires.

Judge Stevens, one of the youngest jurists on the State bench and the only North Carolinian to attain the national presidency of the American Legion, is a forceful speaker. He will be here holding court the week of the banquet and gave instant acquiescence to the local Masonic request to address the lodge members.

## Junior Choir To Meet Saturday Morning

Mrs. W. H. Condit has announced that a meeting of the Junior Choir of St. Paul's Church will be held on Saturday morning at 10 o'clock, at the home of Mrs. John F. White. All members of the choir are urged to be present.

## Rotarians Are To Honor Birthdays At Dinner Today

### 15th And 36th Anniversaries Are To Be Celebrated

#### CHARTER MEMBERS

### Wood, Kramer, Holmes As Such To Be Presented

Edenton Rotarians are in for a treat at their weekly luncheon at the Parish House today (Thursday). It will be the fifteenth anniversary of the local club and the thirty-sixth anniversary of the International Rotary, of which, of course, the Edentonians are lineal descendants.

And to add further to Thursday's festivities, the only three surviving living charter members of the Club, Charlie Wood, Cal Kramer and John Holmes, will be introduced by President J. Edwin Buflap, if he is well enough to be present, and will be asked to bear testimony as to how it feels to be Rotary scions of such antiquity.

Inasmuch as Mr. Kramer has charge of the program for the day, the occasion may be otherwise memorable. The Postmaster has several wrinkles up his coat sleeve and promises to press them out for the edification of those in attendance. And President Buflap, who has been much enthused because of the recent 100 per cent membership attendances at the luncheon meetings is anxious that this record be proven again today.

## Bundles For Britain Campaign To Be Waged At Party

### Style Show and Card Games Friday Night Hotel Joseph Hewes

New interest in the "Bundles for Britain" campaign locally became evident this week with the announcement that a style show and card and game contest in the interest of this cause will be held at Hotel Joseph Hewes at 8 o'clock tomorrow (Friday) night. Reservations for this, which will cost 50 cents each, may be made of Mrs. W. I. Hart, and a good advance sale of tickets has already been made.

The affair is being handled by Mrs. Junius W. Davis as chairman, and Mrs. W. I. Hart as secretary. At 8 o'clock the evening will start with a style show put on by Bacon Bros., Preston's and the Elliot Co., after which cards or any desired games will be engaged in.

There will be two table prizes and two interesting door prizes open to all guests. Refreshments, of course, will be served.

## Council WPA Meet Is Called Off

Town Councilmen who planned to meet Monday night to thresh out the WPA street improvements in Edenton did not gather as expected owing to the illness of Councilman and Street Commissioner J. Edwin Buflap.

The meeting will be held as soon as Mr. Buflap gets on his feet again.

## Debating Teams At E. H. School Picked

Following preliminary test debates Neil Skinner, Margaret Griffin, Sammy Cates and Annie Macon Byrum have been selected by the local high school in forthcoming debates revolving about the theme that all able-bodied men should go in for compulsory military training. The first two are to represent the affirmative, and the latter pair the negative side. Those who tried out in the debating tests besides the victors were W. H. Gardner, Jr., Mary Goodwin, Marcia Kepler and Ruth Vail Selby.

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Davenport, of Creswell, announce the birth of a ten-pound son, Paul, Jr., on Saturday, February 10.

## Unity Of Effort Success Need Says C. of C. Secretary

### McCullers In First Bulletin Makes Such Plea

#### MUCH TO BE DONE

### Report Tells Of Opportunities That Await Development

Secretary Charles L. McCullers of the Edenton-Chowan Chamber of Commerce, has issued his initial report for the organization, in which he dwells enthusiastically upon the prospects of a bigger and better community providing there is a general co-operation shown the Chamber by the store-keepers and industrial interests of the town. He urges the community to "wake up to a fuller appreciation of what we have about us and we shall see that our combined efforts can accomplish wonders."

Mr. McCullers makes no effort in his report, which he terms a bulletin, to elaborate on things that have been done, but does discuss frankly and hopefully promotions which he believes can be arrived at if there is unity on the part of local business. It is this very non-boastfulness that makes the bulletin of readable interest, and in the thought that those who so read may see, the bulletin is published herewith in full.

Injecting the warm, personal touch by addressing members of the Chamber as "Dear Friends," Mr. (Continued on Page Five)

## Chowan Cannery Rank Sixth In N. C. Acreage Results

### Report Speaks of Praise Of Work Done Here By WPA Cannery

According to an enthusiastic report received by Superintendent of Schools W. J. Taylor, Chowan County ranks sixth in the State in the number of quarts of vegetables canned per acre under WPA supervision. The canning in question has been done at the Chowan High School from a two-acre garden, and has provoked much comment throughout the entire Albemarle.

The official report to Mr. Taylor is couched in this language:

"We have heard, we are hearing and will hear much more of the Defense Program being put on by the Government. The Division of Community Service Programs is stressing canning gardens for all schools, this program is being followed all over our country. It might be interesting to know that in Chowan County last year the Gardening, Canning and Lunch Room Project of the Work Projects Administration, canned 1,753 quarts of soup mixture, and vegetables, and saved 3,480 pounds of Irish potatoes. This from a two-acre garden. This year the goal is 3,500 quarts, and dry as many vegetables as possible. Some one has said that our best line of defense is a well-filled pantry, and this it is hoped to have in all schools.

"The Lunch Room Project operates in only two schools in Chowan County. The canning was done at Chowan High School. Canning equipment is there and land has been leased for this year. Chowan County rated fifth in the entire State in number of quarts canned per worker. We are proud of this record, and want to do a much better job this year. This can only be accomplished if we have the support and cooperation of the county."

## W. J. Harris III At Oakum Street Home

W. J. Harris is confined to his room at his home on Oakum Street. Mr. Harris, affectionately called "Uncle Billy" by a large number of friends is 88 years old.

## SCHOOL CAKE SALE

The junior class of the Edenton High School will have a cake sale on Saturday morning in the E. C. White building on Main Street. The patronage of the public is urged.

## U. Of N. C. Band In Concert At School On Tuesday Night

### Band Director



Chapel Hill professor of music at the University of North Carolina, who will personally direct the University's band at its appearance here next Tuesday night.

### Chapel Hill Musicians To Appear Here On First Visit

#### FINE TREAT

### Town Honored; Large Number Expected To Attend

Proud as it is of its own youthful bandsters, prize-winning victors always, Edenton is not vainglorious and will bow with pleasure and in large numbers next Tuesday night when the State's leading musical organization, uniformed and expertly tutored, from the University of North Carolina will make its first appearance in the entire Albemarle at a concert to be held in the High School Auditorium. It will be a stirring band playing aggregation of 60 members under the personal directorship of Prof. Earl A. Slocum, head of the music department at the University, and is destined to be a treat of treats for everyone in this territory.

The University band will make the first of three stops in eastern Carolina, the other two being at Roanoke Rapids and at Washington, and will be housed overnight at the hotel and at the homes of Edenton band players. The appearance here is being sponsored by boosters of the Edenton band, and inasmuch as a traveling guarantee for the expenses of the visitors must be met a modest admission fee will be required of those who attend the concert.

The visiting band is especially notable for its perfection in rendering music of a classical nature and for playing football fight songs, as it has long done on the gridirons in the fall months. The secret of its success, which has received tribute for its fine performances throughout the entire country, is explained by Director Slocum when he says "this year's band is the best we have ever had, and it cannot be improved upon."

It may be of interest to know that the University band is one of the most coveted berths students strive for. Last fall 125 men tried out for membership in the band and only one-half that number were chosen. The first University band was formed in 1903 and has been added to and helped along successfully ever since. Old grads will be glad to know that it features in fine style the University hymn, in which all alumni will be expected to arise and join in singing.

Edentonians, college grads and otherwise, are in for a grand musical treat Tuesday night, and Secretary C. L. McCullers of the Chamber of Commerce, who got the band here, is promising them that very thing and much more. All the local band children will be on hand at the concert as honored guests that night.

## Mission Services To End Tonight

### John A. Holmes Will Close Meetings At Methodist Church

The series of school mission services which have been held nightly since Sunday in the Methodist Church, end tonight (Thursday) with John A. Holmes being the speaker, and in charge of the wind-up meeting. The services have attracted much notice and favorable attention, and satisfying audiences have been in attendance.

For these meetings a book entitled "Methodism's World Mission," written by Dr. Henry T. Van Dusen, has been used with much effect.

The Rev. W. C. Benson, the pastor of the church, opened the series of meetings at last Sunday night's regular service, and on Monday night the speaker was C. D. Stewart. At the Tuesday and Wednesday night services the speakers were the Rev. R. F. Munns, of Hertford, and the Rev. H. F. Surratt, of Windsor, respectively.

## Saturday Holiday Not For The Bank

### But Post Office Will Be Closed; Flags Will Fly

If George Washington had picked another date for his natal day in 1732, it might not have come on Saturday in 1941, in which case the Bank of Edenton, which has always honored him before might have been able to do so again. But Saturday, a short banking day, anyhow, and the last rush banking day in the week, is a busy one for the financial institution, and it will keep open doors. But it will display the picture of the non-Ananias and dollar-throwing youth, and will fly a flag in front in his memory. In fact, it will even hand out silver and greenbacks Saturday with Washington's picture thereon with "In God we trust" above or beneath, which Cashier D. M. Warren and his directorate feel is offered too much as an excuse in Edenton.

wut if the bank doesn't close, the post office will, and for all day, too. So will the County offices at the Court House and elsewhere.

At the Hotel Joseph Hewes, a rare metal engraving of a famous portrait of Washington by Rembrandt Peale, recently possessed by Proprietor Grayson H. Harding, will be displayed suitably draped in red, white and blue in the hotel lobby. Other pictures of the First President will be shown in shop windows and flags will be unfurled up and down Broad Street.

C. L. McCullers, director of the Edenton High School Band, says he hopes to have his bandsters playing in parade, also, if the day is propitious.

## Hotel Alumni Dinner Called Off This Week

Frank Holmes, earnest young wholesaler, Rotarian and college enthusiast, who has been struggling, and successfully, like a good fellow since Christmas to form a University of North Carolina Alumni Club in Edenton, was a much chagrined man on Tuesday. A telegram, followed by a letter, came from Jim Tatum, athletic coach for the freshmen beginners at Chapel Hill, said he just couldn't be on hand Friday night at a dinner Holmes had planned for the new club at the Hotel Joseph Hewes, so that it is off until March 13, Holmes said.

So far, Holmes has lined up around forty prospective club members, most of whom are graduates as well as many who did not finish their courses, and all had been expected at the dinner tomorrow night. But within a couple of hours after Holmes had completed arrangements for this festive occasion, the telegram came from Tatum. And as no other out-of-town speaker seemed available, the dinner was temporarily called off until the latter date.

## Odum To Be Next Public Forum Speaker

Howard W. Odum, head of the sociology department of the University of North Carolina, will speak here on Friday, March 7, at the fifth in the series of public forums to be held in the school library. Dr. Odum's subject will be "The South At Its Best," and has been spoken of elsewhere as being highly interesting.