

Original Colonial Papers Presented To Edenton Museum

Very Valuable Documents Gift of Miss Edna Zickler

DIXON ACCEPTS

Ceremony Thursday Afternoon In Historic Cupola House

Original Colonial Documents of two land grants and two deeds, dating back to 1724, bearing seals and signatures of such illustrious leaders and "Ye Lord's Proprietors," as Gov. Chas. Eden, George Durant, Thomas Harvey, Gov. Everard, Thomas Pollock, Richard Whedbee, John Blount, Robert Waff, Christopher Gale and others was presented last week to the Edenton Museum by Miss Edna Zickler of Black Mountain, a descendant of the George Durant, whose signature appears on the deeds.

Miss Zickler, who was unable to make the presentation in person, sent the documents by Larry Allen Glenn, a close friend, who is deeply interested in history and Colonial North Carolina. Glenn was accompanied to Edenton by Eugene Hudson, also of Black Mountain.

Miss Lena Jones, a member of the Edenton school faculty, first heard about the important documents while she was spending the summer in Montreat, N. C., where she met Mr. Glenn. During a discussion on historical events, Glenn revealed that he had a friend who possessed some original papers pertaining to Edenton. Greatly impressed, Miss Jones persuaded the young man to ask Miss Zickler if she would present the documents to

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Special Meeting Of Presbyterian Church

Dr. J. W. Hassell Scheduled to Install Church Officers

The Rev. Herman L. Cathey, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, announces a meeting of special interest at the 11 o'clock worship hour at the church Sunday morning when a congregational meeting will be held to elect, ordain and install officers. Present for the meeting as moderator will be Dr. J. W. Hassell of Greenville, N. C., executive secretary of the Presbytery of the Albemarle. He will be assisted by the pastor, the Rev. Herman L. Cathey.

Sunday School will be held at 10 o'clock Sunday morning with J. A. Mitchener, Jr., superintendent, in charge.

The public is cordially invited to attend both services.

Operetta At School Delights Audience

Superb Acting and Singing By Glee Club Members

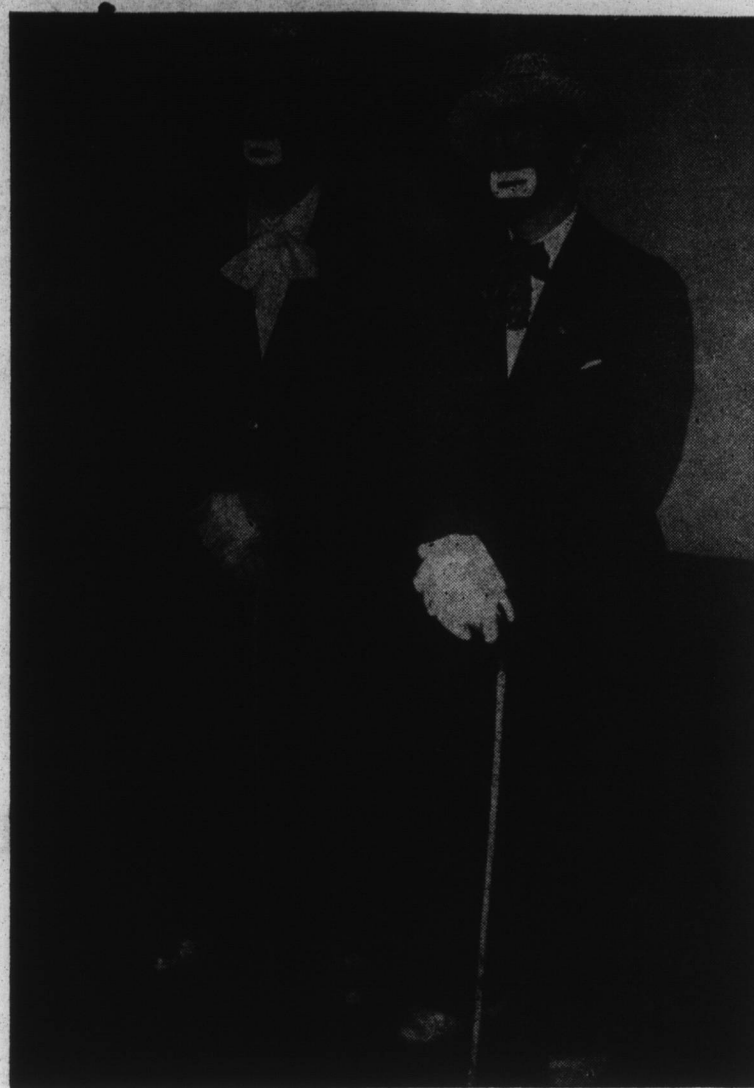
Exotic sonoritas, dazzling costumes and excellent acting provided a packed house with two and a half hours of humorous entertainment Friday night, when the Edenton High School Glee Club, under the direction of Mrs. Mary L. Browning, presented its annual operetta, "The Belle of Barcelona," a musical comedy by Charles Ross Chaney.

Displaying superb acting and singing by all members of the cast, the show was definitely a hit from beginning to end with the field of comedy provided for by John Ward (baritone), and Mary Ann Elliott (mezzo-soprano). Ward, as usual, delighted the audience with his capers and along with Miss Elliott, a prim governess, frightfully skeptical of men and very good, kept the crowd in a continuous uproar during the entire performance.

The principal characters of the play, Sybil Cayton as Margarita Montero (soprano), and Frank Hughes as Lt. Wright (tenor), were exceptionally good in their roles. These two went through some trying experiences in an

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Strut Their Stuff Friday Night



Pictured above are two of the star performers in the Lions Club minstrel which will be presented in the high school auditorium Friday night at 8 o'clock. The annual minstrel is sponsored for the benefit of the club's major project, Sight Conservation. They are not identified because they do not look, nor will they act, like they do in everyday life.

Local Claimants Are Convicted In U. C. Fraud Cases

Claims Deputies Active In Prevention and Detection of Fraud

Recent arrests and convictions for false reports in order to obtain or increase benefits of earnings when filing claims for unemployment compensation should be a warning to others who file claims, according to Wood Privott, Claims Deputy who, with the assistance and cooperation of the local employment offices in the Northeastern area which he serves, has uncovered a number of cases of false reporting regarding earnings.

The latest to be tried and found guilty of making false reports in this section are Willie A. Drew, Leroy Simpson, Eddie Lee Rankin and Mingo Pierce, all Edenton men filing claims in the Edenton office of the Employment Security Commission. All were tried before Justice of the Peace F. W. Hobbs and sentenced to 30 days in jail, suspended upon repayment of the Employment Security Commission of the amount which they overdraw for the weeks for which they made false statements, and costs of court.

Also part of the punishment that goes with such violations of the law is that the claimant is also ineligible for further benefits during his current benefit year, and the total amount of benefit payments which may have been made after commission of the fraud will have to be liquidated before the claimant can draw any unemployment compensation benefits in the future. It is very important, therefore, that claimants for unemployment compensation report their actual earnings.

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Three More Miles Of Highways Completed In Chowan County

The State Highway Commission completed 19 and one-half miles of road work under the secondary road program in the First Highway Division during March. Three miles of this total centered in Chowan County.

Completion is announced of the following projects in Chowan County during March:

- From NC 37, 2.4 miles north of its intersection with NC 32 to Yeopim for one mile; From Yeopim to intersection with NC 37 one mile south of US 17 and from Yeopim toward Bethel to the Perquimans County line, for 2.2 miles.

ROTARY MEETS TODAY
Edenton's Rotary Club will meet today at 1 o'clock in the Parish House.

Edenton Lions Will Present Minstrel On Friday Night

Annual Affair Scheduled to Begin at School at 8 O'clock

Edenton's Lions Club will present its annual minstrel Friday night in the Edenton High School, starting at 8 o'clock. The minstrel this year is coached by Nick George and the advance information is that the show will be even better than performances in previous years.

The cast has been practicing for several weeks and the show will include all new songs and jokes, so that it is expected the spacious auditorium will be filled to capacity.

The program will be as follows:

- Opening chorus by entire cast.
- "Pret-y Baby," by West Leary.
- "You'd Be Surprised" by Lillian Leary, Carolyn White, Mildred Small, Dorine Alexander and Virginia Downing.

- "Chicken Song" by Al Phillips, Dr. A. F. Downum, Haywood Bunch, J. P. Partin, Earl Harrell and John Mitchener.

- "Georgia Brown" by M. A. Hughes. Quartet, Jesse Harrell, Earl Harrell, Clarence Leary and Skip Leonard.

- "If You Got the Money, Honey" by J. P. Partin.

- Dance by Shirley Keeter.

- "Blue Heaven" by George Thompson.

- "The Sign Pine Symphonettes," Billy Gardner, Francis Hicks, Richard Hines, Freddy Byrum and Mike Malone.

- Baton Dance, Betsy Duncan, Patricia Bunch and Anne Spruill.

- Song, Ben Perry.

- Dance, Ben Perry and Miss Miriam Scott.

- "Tennessee Waltz" and "Mocking Bird Hill" by Juanita Bennett, Frances Bennett and Grace Hudson.

- "O' Man River" by Skip Leonard.

- "So Long" by Medlin Belch, Dr. Richard Hardin, Ralph Parrish, Kenneth Floors and Geddes Potter.

Junior Woman's Club Will Collect Books
Officials of the Edenton Junior Woman's Club announce that the organization will hold a book and magazine collection for overseas Friday of this week. Those who have old books and magazines are urged to place them on their front porch Friday so that members of the club may pick them up.

MASONS MEET TONIGHT
Unanimity Lodge, No. 7, A. F. & A. M., will meet tonight (Thursday) in the Court House at 8 o'clock. All members are urged to attend.

Mrs. Inglis Fletcher Listed In 'American Novelists Of Today'

Cancer Crusade Gets Under Way In Chowan County

Mrs. J. N. Pruden, Jr., Says County's Quota Is \$800

The 1951 Cancer Crusade opened here Monday and every resident of this community will have a chance to "strike back" at cancer during the fund-raising and educational campaign of the American Cancer Society.

Mrs. J. N. Pruden, Jr., County Commander, announces that arrangements for the Crusade have been completed and posters and coin cans have been distributed throughout the business section of town.

Chowan County's quota this year has been set at \$800.00. Of all funds collected for the cancer program, 60% is retained within the state for use in the state and county projects and 40% goes to the national organization for research, education, promotion, etc.

Cancer is responsible for more deaths in the United States than any other single cause except heart disease," says Mrs. Pruden. "Last year in North Carolina there were 3,100 reported deaths from cancer. The fact that cancer strikes eventually in one of every two homes creates a tremendous potential of personal interest in the cancer problem. It is hoped that contributors will consider this fact in apportioning their gift."

Volunteer workers for the town are as follows:

- Businesses and industries—Mrs. W. P. Jones, Mrs. J. R. Dulaney, Mrs. John Graham, Mrs. Martin Wisely, Mrs. T. C. Byrum, Jr., and Mrs. J. Clarence Leary, Jr.

- Edenton Cotton Mill—Mrs. T. B. Smith.

- White Schools—Mrs. George Thompson and Mrs. Cecil Frye.

- Colored Schools—D. F. Walker.

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Bill Is Introduced To Change Two Ward Boundaries

Both Second and Fourth Wards Affected By Change

At the request of Town Council, Representative John F. White, last week introduced HB 850 in the House of Representatives which calls for a change in the boundaries of the Second and Fourth wards.

At present the Second Ward's northern boundary is the south side of Church Street, while the Fourth Ward begins at the north side of Church Street. Under provisions of the bill the new northern boundary for the Second Ward will be the south side of Carteret Street and the southern boundary for the Fourth Ward will be the north side of Carteret Street.

The change was requested by the Councilmen due to the increased number of voters in the Fourth Ward, where there is still room for expansion, whereas in the Second Ward there is little room for expansion.

The bill was referred to the Committee on counties, cities and towns. HB 757 which extends the jurisdiction of Edenton police was ratified Thursday of last week.

HB 679 setting the county treasurer's salary at \$1,200 per year was passed by the Senate Friday. HB 322 setting the compensation of the chairman of the County Commissioners at \$25 per meeting and other commissioners at \$10 per meeting, and eliminating the board's clerk salary at \$150 per month was also passed by the Senate Friday.

State Asked To Take Over Road At Gliden

Chowan County Commissioners were requested Monday morning to ask the State Highway and Public Works Commission to take over the Winslow Mill Road in the Gliden section. The request was sent to the Highway Commission.

Among 575 Living Writers Chosen By Dr. Harry Warfel

LEADING WRITERS

No Other Nation Able to Boast Such Distinguished Group

A new biographical and informational dictionary entitled "American Novelists of Today" includes among its roster of leading writers Mrs. Inglis Fletcher, Bandon Plantation, Edenton.

The local author is among 575 prominent living writers chosen by Dr. Henry R. Warfel, for representation in his new book.

Commenting on these writers who reflect the high quality of the novelist's art in this country, Warfel said, "In no other nation is there an equal number of notable novelists or as distinguished a list of recent novels as in the United States."

By preparing accounts of these books, Warfel has produced the first panoramic survey of this form of writing. Focusing on stories published in the last ten years, he shows that every section of America and every period in history has been portrayed.

The new book gives sketches of the life and writings of authors who come from virtually every state in the Union.

Dr. Warfel, professor of English at the University of Florida, is a leading biographer whose "Charles Brockden Brown" issued by the University of Florida Press in 1949, attracted favorable attention. He is the author and collaborator of ten other books including "Noah Webster: Schoolmaster to America" and "The American Mind."

Criminal Docket Of Superior Court Finished Monday

Judge Says Area Knows Little About Serious Crime

With a number of cases continued, the criminal docket for the April term of Chowan Superior Court was completed Monday afternoon with Judge Chester Morris presiding.

Court convened promptly at 10 o'clock Monday morning, with the selection of the Grand Jury including the following: Jesse L. Harrell, foreman, John Lee Spruill, Joe A. Webb, Jr., Glenn Bunch, Percy Satterfield, S. J. Sutton, William E. Jordan, Jr., A. S. Bush, W. O. Elliott, Lindsay Bass, R. H. Byrum, Carlton W. Goodwin, Johnny Bass, J. Colon Forehand, U. G. Umphlett, Tom Byrum, Percy W. Dail and Lonnie Bunch.

In charging the Grand Jury, Judge Morris said he was glad to be assigned to the First District. "There is no place in North Carolina quite like this eastern area," he said. "You know very little about serious crime and the reason is that our people who for the most part are descendants of the forefathers of the country's Anglo-Saxon blood, were taught to fear and worship the Creator of all men. They are Christian, which is the reason for less crime."

He stressed the importance of jury service, saying that some might feel that Grand Jury service is undesirable and that someone else ought to serve. He pointed out that every juror summoned for duty should deem it an honor to be called, for they are men of mental ability and moral integrity, asked to attend to matters of common good. He said they composed one grand inquest to inquire into the affairs of the county and that they occupied a different status after being called on the Grand Jury.

Judge Morris pointed out that offenders do not violate the law in the presence of officers, and that it is impossible for law enforcement officers to know of all law violations in the county. "With you coming from every section of the county," he said, "nobody can violate the law without your body being present."