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Vernon Mustian Will Manage Colonials In New Circuit For '52

Wake Forest Star Came To Terms Last Week To Lead Colonials

WELL KNOWN

Fans Generally Delighted With Popular Colerain Pitcher

Vernon "Preacher" Mustian, a pitching star at Wake Forest College a couple seasons back and who calls Colerain his home, will manage the Edenton Colonials in the Coastal Plain League this summer.

David Holton, an official of the Colonials' organization, announced last week that Mustian had agreed to terms. Holton expressed his pleasure at the signing of Mustian and stated he felt this would be well received by followers of the Colonials.

Mustian, probably the most outstanding relief hurler in Wake Forest College history, particularly in recent years, is no stranger to Albemarle baseball fans. Edentonians will remember the lantern-jawed righthander as a tough pitcher in the clutch and they will remember his great competitive spirit. Mustian hails from "just across the Chowan River." He was a prominent member of the Colerain baseball team in the days of the semi-pro Albemarle League and saw service in the Coastal Plain circuit.

A limited-service man, according to professional classification, Mustian will succeed William "Gashouse" Parker as manager of the Colonials. He is currently teaching in Rolesville but it is expected to come to Edenton in plenty of time to whip the Colonials into shape for the opening of the Coastal Plain League.

Mustian is six feet tall and weighs 185 pounds. He is a righthander who specializes in control and the use of the curve ball. He is no soft touch at the plate either.

The new Colonial manager played for Wake Forest during the 1946-49 seasons. He compiled a 5-0 record in the 1949 season and had a 3-0 record in 1948. In his entire college career, Mustian started only two games, winning them both. Many are the stellar performances he turned in in relief for the Deacons during the years he was at Wake Forest. A vital cog in the Deacons machine in tournament play, he was selected to the All-Tournament team in 1949 after turning in two outstanding relief chores. His record in the Albemarle League and the Coastal Plain were not available at press time but he was a winner in both circuits.

Not only will Edenton fans hail the signing of Mustian but fans from Bertie County and the remainder of the Albemarle are sure to be pleased. "Preacher" is a favorite particularly in Bertie where he was born and is expected to draw a large number of fans from that area to games in Edenton.

The task facing Mustian in Edenton is not the easiest. He will have a nucleus of men to work with but due to Coastal Plain rulings, the roster can include only two class men, six limited service players and the remainder rookies. He also steps into the shoes of a man who piloted the Colonials to three Albemarle League pennants, two championship play-offs and to third place and the semi-finals in the professional Virginia League.

Recommended highly by many players and by his former coach at Wake Forest, Lee Gooch, Mustian is known for his great competitive spirit and his insistence for hustle and playing to win all the time. His progress in Edenton will be followed with interest by many.

Band Association Will Meet Tonight

Dr. A. F. Downum, president of the Edenton Band Parents Association, calls attention to a meeting of the association which will be held tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock in the band room.

This will be a very important meeting in that officers for the new year are scheduled to be elected, so that Dr. Downum is appealing for a large attendance.

Senior Class Play On Friday Night

The Edenton Senior play will go on stage Friday night at 8 o'clock in the grammar school auditorium.

The results are hilarious when the two younger Hunter girls advertise for a husband for Margaret, their older sister, who prefers the company of books. The comedy will furnish many laughs and it is believed that this senior play will provide a pleasant evening of light entertainment.

159 Pints Of Blood Donated At Eighth Bloodmobile Visit

Chairmen Desire To Express Appreciation For Cooperation

According to George Alma Byrum, chairman of the Chowan County Red Cross blood program, 159 pints of blood were donated Thursday of last week when the Red Cross bloodmobile made its eighth visit to Chowan County.

N. J. George, recruitment chairman, was especially active in seeking blood donors prior to the visit and he, together with Mr. Byrum and others interested in the program, are delighted that the quota of 150 pints was reached, although all of them feel that Chowan should easily have contributed over 200 pints.

As in previous visits, Marines stationed at the Edenton Marine Corps Auxiliary Air Station, rallied to the appeal for blood and over 40 pints came from the Marines.

Both Mr. Byrum and Mr. George desire to express their sincere appreciation to all those who in any way helped in the program, as well as those who donated their blood.

W. E. Bond maintained his 100 per cent record, contributing his eighth pint of blood.

Councilmen Kill Idea Of Zoning In Edenton

Provisions Specified For Moving Penelope Barker House

At Tuesday's meeting of Town Council, the idea of zoning Edenton met its death knell when by a close vote it was decided not to consider zoning at this time. Some few years ago zoning was considered, but after lengthy preliminary work and study the matter gradually died out.

Another matter claiming attention of Town Councilmen was moving the Penelope Barker house. The town has purchased a lot on the waterfront and permission was granted to move the house providing the contractor furnishes public liability insurance, property damage insurance and a performance bond.

The town will lease the waterfront lot to the trustees of the Penelope Barker Home for \$1.00 per year.

The Street Department was authorized to fill in a portion of the lot back of Belk-Tyler lot as a parking area.

Revival At Anderson Church Aug. 17 to 24

The Rev. R. N. Gradless, pastor of the Chowan Methodist Church, announces that the Rev. John Wynn Myers, pastor of the First Methodist Church of Farmville, Va., has been engaged as evangelist for the Anderson Methodist Church revival to open August 17 and close August 24.

Mr. Myers, one of the finest pulpit speakers of the Virginia Conference, has recently returned from a two months' tour of the Holy Land. Mr. Gradless feels that the church is very fortunate in being able to secure the services of Mr. Myers.

Lions Club Observes 15th Annual Charter Banquet On Monday

Director of Lions International Principal Speaker

Edenton's Lions Club celebrated its 15th annual charter banquet Monday night in the Edenton armory, which was a very delightful affair, attracting Lions from Colerain, Hertford, Elizabeth City, Camden and Williamston.

An interesting feature of the meeting was the fact that of 15 charter members of the club, all but two were present. The charter members are W. S. Privott, C. E. Byrum, L. S. Byrum, Dr. W. S. Griffin, Mayor Leroy Haskett, R. W. Leary, Jr., G. B. Potter, G. M. Byrum, George I. Dail, T. C. Byrum, G. C. Hobbs, J. Clarence Leary, Hector Lupton and W. J. Taylor. The two absentees were Dr. Griffin and T. C. Byrum.

During the meeting two 10-year service awards were presented to Nathan Dail and W. E. Malone by Norman Trueblood.

Special music for the occasion was rendered by the Sign Pine Symphonettes and Norman Leonard sang several solos, accompanied at the piano by Miss Margery Thigpen.

President J. R. Byrum presided over the meeting with the invocation given by the Rev. E. B. Edwards. Past presidents were recognized as well as guests, which included District Governor Harry W. Woodruff and Deputy District Governor H. K. Houtz.

The principal speaker for the occasion was John L. Stickler, director of International, who presented a stirring address on Lionism. He was introduced by District Governor Woodruff.

William T. Harry New President Of Rotary

Group of Directors Also Elected at Last Week's Meeting of Club

W. T. Harry, manager of the B.B.H. Motor Company, was elected president of the Edenton Rotary Club at the weekly meeting Thursday of last week. Mr. Harry succeeds J. L. Chestnut, who will remain in office until the first meeting in July, when the gavel will be handed over to Mr. Harry.

John Kramer was elected vice president of the club by virtue of receiving the highest number of votes for directors. Other directors elected Thursday were Lloyd Bunch, Robert Marsh, Gilliam Wood and M. M. Perry. J. L. Chestnut, retiring president, Mr. Harry and John Kramer will also serve as directors for the Rotary year.

Chain Saw Carnival Tuesday, March 18th

Hobbs Implement Company, local Disston representative, announces a big Disston Chain saw carnival which will be held on the old Yeopim road near Harry Perry's store Tuesday afternoon, March 18, at 2 o'clock.

Factory trained wood cutting and chain saw service experts will be on hand to demonstrate Disston's newest lightweight saws in the fastest cutting, fastest moving show of saw equipment ever assembled in Edenton.

Guy C. Hobbs, manager of the Hobbs Implement Company, hopes a large number will attend what he terms a complete chain saw service station on wheels.

Penelope Barker House Now On Way To New Location

Geo. Alma Byrum Principal Speaker For Woman's Club

Miss Jane Goodwin Also Presents Prize Winning Speech

George Alma Byrum spoke to members of the Edenton Woman's Club at their monthly luncheon meeting last week in the Parish House, concerning the moving and preservation of the Penelope Barker House. The club voted to assume its proportionate share of the moving and preservation of the building in cooperation with the Junior Chamber of Commerce and the BPW Club. The meeting was presided over by Mrs. W. D. Holmes, Jr., president.

Miss Jane Goodwin, World Peace speaking and study contest winner at Chowan High School, delivered her winning speech before the group and received a warm applause. She was introduced by Mrs. J. R. Dulaney of the Edenton Woman's Club, which sponsored the affair.

Mrs. T. C. Byrum, Jr., Welfare Chairman, reported that the club has been asked to take part in a drive to provide linens for a nursing home being established in Lumberton for cancer patients. The club voted to make the April meeting a white meeting at which time each member would bring linens for the home.

It was announced that the club will send this year's president, Mrs. W. D. Holmes, Jr., and the president-elect, Mrs. J. H. Conger, Jr., as delegates from the local club to the State Federation of Woman's Clubs Convention in Winston-Salem on April 23-25. Miss Kathryn Brown was named as alternate.

Miss Pauline Gordon Speaker For Clubs

Federation Meeting at Rocky Hock School Next Wednesday

Wednesday afternoon of next week, March 19, the Spring Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs will be held in the Rocky Hock Central School auditorium beginning at 2:30 o'clock. The principal speaker for the occasion will be Miss Pauline Gordon, home furnishings specialist of the North Carolina Extension Service.

"Arrangements of flowers and foliage in your home, your church or your house can add interest and charm," says Miss Gordon. "You may become an artist of still life by developing the ability to arrange flowers. Flowers arranged by set rules lose their naturalness. There are certain principles which you may apply that will aid you in getting pleasing effects. Your arrangements should be lovely and individual. They should satisfy you."

The Enterprise Home Demonstration Club will be host at a tea following the meeting, to which the public is invited to attend.

VFW And Auxiliary Dance Sat. March 15

The VFW and VFW Auxiliary will sponsor a dance Saturday night, March 15, from 8 until 12 o'clock, in the Edenton armory. Freddie Byrum and his orchestra will furnish the music for the affair.

Last Warning!

Mrs. P. S. McMullan, County Tax Supervisor, reports that many in Chowan County have not as yet listed taxes for 1952, although the deadline was January 31. According to law, delinquents will be forced to be turned over to the Grand Jury.

Take your choice—list your taxes immediately or tell the judge why you have not done so.

Aces Will Play 11 Games On Gridiron

Schedule For 1952 Season Released By Coach George Thompson

Edenton's High School Aces will play 11 football games during the 1952 season, according to Coach George Thompson, who has practically completed and released the schedule. Only one more open date remains that being November 7.

The Aces will meet two new foes on the gridiron, these being Goldsboro, triple A team, and Manteo. Of the ten games already scheduled, five will be on the home gridiron and five away from home.

The schedule as released by Coach Thompson is as follows:

- September 5—Goldsboro at Goldsboro.
- September 12—Greenville at Edenton.
- September 19—Williamston at Edenton.
- September 26—Elizabeth City at Elizabeth City.
- October 3—New Bern at New Bern.
- October 10—Kinston at Kinston.
- October 17—Manteo at Manteo.
- October 24—Hertford at Hertford.
- October 31—Roanoke Rapids at Edenton.
- November 7—Open.
- November 14—Washington at Edenton.

Arthur S. Hollowell Named Town Clerk

Begins Period of Training Under Wesley Chesson April 1

Arthur S. Hollowell, who resigned as County Commissioner at the March meeting of the County Commissioners, was on Tuesday night appointed Town Clerk at a meeting of Town Council. He will succeed Wesley Chesson, Jr., who tendered his resignation to be effective July 1 in order to become associated with the Hobbs Implement Company.

Mr. Hollowell will begin his duties April 1 while Mr. Chesson is still in office in order to become acquainted with the various phases of the duties of the office.

Chowan Junior Class Plans Baby Contest

Affair Ends Night of Junior Class Play on March 20

The Junior Class of Chowan High School is sponsoring a baby contest which ends the night of the junior play on March 20. At the close of the first act the baby having received the most votes will be announced and a valuable gift will be awarded.

The following children have been entered by grades two through the twelfth: Second grade, Robbie Boyce; third grade, Charles Davis; fourth grade, Linda Nixon; fifth grade, Mary Privott; sixth grade, J. D. Peele, Jr.; seventh grade, Sylvia Knight; eighth grade, Dee Dee Hare; ninth grade, Philip Smithson; tenth grade, Brenda Hugo; eleventh grade, Gail Parks; twelfth grade, Belinda Perry.

Safety Picture Today At Rotary Meeting

Edenton's Rotary Club will meet today (Thursday) at 1 o'clock in the Parish House. A feature of the meeting will be a highway safety film, with Thomas Byrum in charge of the program.

President J. L. Chestnut is very anxious to have a 100 per cent meeting.

Large Dwelling Will Be Made Into Community Center

BIG JOB

Jaycees, Woman's Club And BPW Club Join In Preservation

By Evelyn G. Leary
Considerable interest is being created among the citizens of Edenton concerning an old historic landmark here, the Penelope Barker House. Some time ago this building was purchased by the local P & Q Food Center for the purpose of erecting a modern super market on the site. Owners, Haywood Phthisic and Henry Quinn, offered the building to any organization willing to remove the construction from its present location on South Broad Street, with specification that the building be used as a community building.

The Edenton Junior Chamber of Commerce, which for sometime, has seen the great need for a community building here, took advantage of the opportunity offered and immediately started the ball rolling by calling a meeting of the organization to see if plans could be worked out for preserving the Penelope Barker House. The club voted to accept the building and its responsibilities, provided two other organizations could be secured to join in with them in the undertaking. The two local women's organizations, the Woman's Club and the Business and Professional Women's Club, have agreed to unite with the Jaycees in this worthwhile project.

George Alma Byrum, president of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, deserves high praise for his interest and hard work spent on the many responsibilities created by the new project. He has appeared before all organizations and explained and answered questions concerning future plans of the community building. Byrum pointed out that the Jaycees had, for sometime, been thinking of presenting the idea of building a new community building. "Now that such a building is being offered for the same purpose we would have been striving for, it would be nothing short of a crime to let it slip through our fingers," he told members of the various organizations. The BPW Club and Woman's Club immediately got busy and appointed committees to work with the Jaycees in finding a location for the Penelope Barker House.

The wheels of action were held up, however, causing no little concern, when no suitable place could be found for the building. Although an extension was granted by the P & Q Food Center, who are anxious to get started on their new market the situation looked indeed dark.

4-H Club Group Speaks On Radio Broadcast

The 4-H radio program, which was broadcast over Station WGAI on Tuesday of last week, was heard by a great many Chowan farm people. The club members who participated on the program did an excellent job and are to be congratulated on their first broadcast.

The following club members were on the program: Leon Privott, Jacqueline Bunch, Hilda Rae and Shirley Harrell and Roger Bunch.

Two Edenton Teachers Submit Resignations

Two teachers in the Edenton High School have resigned, one being Miss Elizabeth Mayfield and the other Mrs. Thomas Shepard.

Miss Mayfield, teacher of French, has accepted a position in Maryland, where she will receive an increase in salary of \$700. Mrs. Ep Debnam is substituting until a regular teacher can be secured.

Mrs. Edith Hassell Bouton, sister of Miss Paulina Hassell, has been employed to take Mrs. Shepard's place as a mathematics teacher. Mrs. Bouton taught in the Portsmouth schools, but for the past few years has been employed in New York City.

Jesse White Honored By Insurance Company

Jesse W. White was notified this week by A. Rogers Maynard, superintendent of agencies of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, that he had completed 20 years of continuous service with the company in Edenton.

By virtue of 20 years of faithful service Mr. White has qualified to be a member of the Veterans Association of the Metropolitan. Mr. Maynard was high in his praise of Mr. White's loyal and faithful service.

Penelope Barker House

Due to some comment regarding the Penelope Barker house since a movement was started to move and preserve it, Miss Elizabeth Moore submitted the following letter this week: "Dear Mr. Bufflap: About two years ago you were kind enough to print an article about the Barker House when it was first discovered to be the Barker House. At that time I had examined wills and deeds, court and tax records, and letters and private papers in Edenton. Since then I have checked all the Chowan County material in the State Department of Archives and History; in the libraries of Duke University, Harvard University, and the University of North Carolina; in the New York and Boston Public Libraries; and in the Library of the American Antiquarian Society, Worcester, Massachusetts. This material includes legal documents,

personal papers, of all kinds, and North Carolina newspapers from 1751 to 1830. In addition, the architect in charge of rebuilding of St. Paul's Church, Mr. Finlay Ferguson of Norfolk, Virginia, made an architectural study of the house in order to determine its probable date of construction. Since this is the sort of work he did during the years of his connection with the Williamsburg Foundation, I do not think there can be any question about the validity of his judgment on such a matter.

Briefly, the facts are these: Some time between April 30, 1748, and February 18, 1752, Mrs. Penelope Pagett Hodgson, widow of John Hodgson, bought from James Craven six lots running north and south from Queen Street to Eden Street line and east and west from Broad Street to the east side of what is now Court Street.

On February 18, 1752, Mrs. Hodgson sold them back to James Craven, just before she married him. On October 10, 1755, James Craven died, leaving this same property to his widow, Penelope. On July 10, 1756, Mrs. Craven repeated the pattern and sold her town property to Thomas Barker, just before her marriage to him. At his death, December 9, 1787, Mrs. Barker inherited it again. It remained in her possession as long as she lived, and was finally sold November 30, 1798, four years after her death, by the nephews who settled her estate. Thus for fifty years the whole square belonged to Penelope Barker, her second and third husbands, or her legal heirs. The early house on this property, shown on the 1769 map, was later used for many years as a shop and was eventually incorporated in the (Continued on Page Four)