

# Roanoke Island 'Birthplace Of Nation' Says Mrs. Fletcher

Inglis Fletcher presents interesting views regarding Roanoke Island.

Roanoke Island is the "birthplace of the nation."

Jamestown settlement was a continuation of the first settlement in America.

Sir Walter Raleigh has had a great deal more publicity in regard to the colony, while actually his cousin, Sir Richard Grenville, deserves the credit.

The colonists did not build log cabins, but houses known as "black and white" (wattle and daub, as log cabins were not introduced into this country until 100 years later by the Swedes in Pennsylvania.

Mrs. Fletcher, the author of a series of historical novels on North Carolina, has done extensive research, on which she based her remarks at an organizational meeting for a tri-county membership drive for the Roanoke Island Historical Association at the home of Mrs. W. B. Rosevear in Edenton.

Mrs. Fletcher stated that the Roanoke Island settlement preceded the Jamestown settlement by over 20 years and that many names of the settlers re-appear on the Jamestown list, which leaves us with Roanoke Island as the beginning of history in this nation.

Sir Walter Raleigh never came to America, she said, whereas

Grenville came with the first group of 108 men in 1584 and later made a second trip.

The settlers came from the counties of Devon and Cornwall in England and, according to Mrs. Fletcher, knew nothing of log cabins as their homes were wattle and daub.

The Roanoke Island Historical Association is conducting a statewide membership drive in order to help North Carolina take its proper place in the history of the founding of the country by publicizing the efforts at establishing a colony between 1584-87.

"The Lost Colony", Paul Green's symphonic drama, which runs each summer during July and August, is one of the projects of the association.

Other objectives of the organization are to re-create Fort Raleigh, establish an Indian and Colonial museum and also to build an Indian village from the drawings of Gov. John White.

Membership in the Roanoke Island Historical Association range from \$5 to life long memberships of \$100. A free ticket to the 1960 production of "The Lost Colony" will be given with each new membership.

Mrs. Rosevear, tri-county chairman, named Mrs. Frank Holmes chairman for Chowan County, Mrs. Carroll Holmes, Perquimans County and Mrs. H. B. Spruill, Bertie County.

# Community Junior Church Is Formed By Rev. F. H. LaGarde

Sunday morning, April 3, at 11 o'clock 60 children aged 6 to 12 entered their own church—The Community Junior Church for All Souls. This was begun in Edenton a completely organized junior church to meet the spiritual needs of children who need to worship God.

According to the organizer of the junior church, the Rev. F. H. LaGarde, learning about God is not enough. "The summer camps, youth fellowships, vacation Bible school, the Sunday School, etc." says LaGarde, "teach the child about God, but this is not enough. The child must have a personal experience with the God whom he has learned about before he can fully accept the Christian way of life. A child does learn by doing. During the junior church hour he learns to know God. He worships and communes with God and praises Him."

The Community Junior Church for All Souls is organized similarly to the adult church. The organizational structure consists of junior ushers, elders, deacons, trustees, stewards, choirs, junior minister, etc. This type of organization allows room for understanding and growth in church administration. It prepares the child to take his place in later years in the adult church as a dedicated Christian.

The idea of a junior church has been a life long dream of LaGarde. He remembered when he was but a boy how his parents used to take him to church every Sunday morning. He remembers how restless he would become in those long services and how the preacher said words that he could not understand. Church to him became a place of boredom. So through the years he dreamed of a junior church where people of his age would be and where the minister would speak to him so he could understand. Not only that, but he

dreamed of the day when children of his age would be able to participate in the worship service. His dream came true on April 3 when the 60 children entered their own church.

"The Community Junior Church is open to all people of all faiths from 6 to 12 years old," says LaGarde. "Six months of careful and prayerful planning assures you and your child of the best resources to adequately meet their need. Our slogan is 'Give us your child and we will return him to you a dedicated Christian with an educated heart.'"

# Canvass For Cancer Funds Next Week

Mrs. Tom Hopkins, Chairman of the cancer drive in Chowan County, early this week announced that the canvass for funds in the Edenton residential area will be held next week. The canvass was postponed this week due to the approaching Easter season.

Mrs. Hopkins stresses the need for more funds to fight cancer, and points out the following facts about cancer in Chowan County from April, 1959 to April, 1960: There were 15 deaths attributed to cancer as follows: Two cancer of kidney, one sigmoid, two prostate, one abdominal, one checum, one cervix, two leukemia, one cancer of the neck, four cancer of the lungs and one cancer of the uterus.

So far this year, Mrs. Hopkins says, four cancer cases have been reported, one in the sub-mandibular area, one genitis urinary, one glioblastoma of frontal lobes and one buccal cavity.

Mrs. Hopkins appeals for a generous contribution when the canvass is made.



JUDY AND HUSBAND—In one of her first public appearances since an illness, Judy Garland arrives at a Hollywood film preview with her husband, Sid Luff.

# Cupola House Library-Museum Honors Miss Harriet B. Leary

The stockholders of the Cupola House Library and Museum, Inc., honored Miss Harriet B. Leary, the retiring librarian, by voting her one share of stock in the corporation at their annual meeting Tuesday afternoon "for services rendered the association." Miss Leary will serve on the Museum Committee, headed by Mrs. Lina P. Mack.

The by-laws of the corporation were amended by increasing the number of elective members on the board of trustees of the Shepard-Pruden Memorial Library from three to five, and that the Mayor of Edenton and the chairman of the County Commissioners serve ex-officio on same.

The Cupola House, one of the oldest structures in Colonial Edenton, which was built in 1725, houses both the library and a most interesting museum. It was saved from possible destruction in 1919 by a group of civic-minded citizens and has since been operated as a non-profit corporation.

The stockholders re-elected all of the officers and members of the executive committee and the trustees of the Shepard-Pruden Memorial Library, including Tom H. Shepard and Mrs. Rebecca Drane Warren on the latter board, which are:

E. W. Spires, president; Mrs. Lina Pruden Mack, vice president; Mrs. Gertrude S. Rosevear, treasurer; Miss Lena M. Jones, secretary, with John W. Graham, Frank Holmes and Mrs. Inglis Fletcher as additional members on the executive committee.

The trustees of the library elected were: Mrs. Anne S.

Graham, Mrs. Lina P. Mack, Tom H. Shepard and Mrs. Rebecca Drane Warren. The term of Mrs. S. M. McMullan has three more years to run. Mayor John A. Mitchener and Chairman W. E. Bond of the County Board of Commissioners, are also to serve as members ex-officio.

Chairman Spires expressed his appreciation to the other officials and the stockholders for their fine cooperation during the past six years which he has served as president, and pledged continuance of his own interest and efforts. These sentiments were also expressed by Mrs. Mack and others present.

# Firemen Called Out Four Times Tuesday

Edenton firemen had a busy day Tuesday when they were called out four times.

The first call came at 2 A. M., when a smoke house at the home of B. W. Evans on Route 32 caught fire. The fire was brought under control before the firemen arrived, so they returned to the fire station.

At 10 A. M., they were called to the Halsey Hardwood Company where a trash fire was in progress.

At 1:30 P. M., the firemen rushed to the home of Jasper Hassell in the Yeopim section, where a grass fire ate its way to a garage, causing the building to be a complete loss.

At 2:45 P. M., the firemen were called to Smith Bros. Lumber Company, where sawdust ignited under an expensive crane. Little damage was done, but at one point it appeared as though a serious fire would develop.

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GARDEN TIME M. E. Gardner N. C. State College

How should cold injured plants be treated? This question is being asked every day due to the severe winter injury to many of our ornamental trees and shrubs in the evergreen family.

My suggestion is to go slow with the pruning shears. Many people seem to think that heavy pruning following injury is the proper treatment but it may do more harm than good. I would give the plants some extra care and carefully observe recovery. There may be buds that appear to be killed which may make complete recovery.

Fertilize the plants lightly and supply water as needed. As you notice new growth, begin to prune away injured parts of the plant beyond these new growing points. This extra care and moderate pruning treatment should result in maximum recovery and minimum cutting of plant parts.

While cold injury is of foremost concern to us, I might give

a little more information about the general condition of a plant as it prepares for winter (rest and dormancy). Here we are concerned with extremes. If a plant goes into the resting period in either a very high state of vigor or a very low state of vigor it is more subject to winter injury than a plant in a moderately vigorous condition.

"My Crepe Myrtle plants will not bloom. I have been pruning them heavily to control the blight". Can you suggest a remedy? I drove by to see these plants. They were about 10 years old and not over four feet high. Heavy cutting had dwarfed the plants and prevented the formation of flower buds. The "blight" referred to was not blight, but mildew, a very common trouble, which can be controlled by the use of dusting sulphur. All the plants need is an opportunity for normal growth and protection from mildew, attacking the leaves, as suggested.

a walk to Dickie Cobb and an error by Centerfielder Linwood Rogerson. Rogerson let Forehand's line single get through him and Cobb and Forehand scored.

Williamston hit its six run outburst in the seventh on an error by Ray Ward and consecutive singles by Hamilton, Wynn, Sessoms, Stalls and Rogerson.

Then came the Aces' rally. Jimmy White and Jimmy Dail walked before Cobb slammed an inside-the-park homer. Forehand then singled and came home when the Green Wave accidentally trapped Harrell, who had singled, between second and refirst. Harrell scored on Tolley's second single of the day.

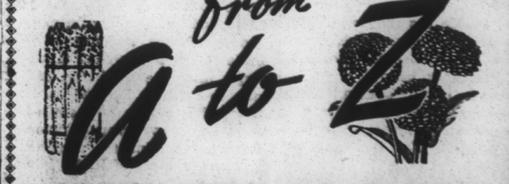
The Aces made only one error, but they committed several fielding mistakes and let in some of Williamston's prime runs. The Green Wave made three errors.

# Warwick Revival Begins April 17th

Revival services will begin at Warwick Baptist Church Sunday, April 17 and continue through Sunday, April 24. The services on the two Sundays will be at 10 A. M., and 7 P. M., while April 18 through April 23 the services will be held each night at 7:30 o'clock.

The visiting evangelist will be the Rev. D. C. Jenkins, pastor of Bethlehem Baptist Church at Laurel, Mississippi. Music for the series of meetings will be directed by Albert Hobbs. The public is cordially invited to attend each service.

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# Aces Downed By Plymouth 5 To 1

The Edenton Aces dropped a 5-1 Albemarle Conference baseball game in Plymouth Friday afternoon.

Bucky Johnson went all the way on the mound for Plymouth and scattered four Edenton singles in registering the win. Ray Ward was the losing pitcher for the Aces.

The Aces' lone run came in the first inning when Dirkie Cobb and Zackie Harrell walked and Centerfielder Frank Lowry dropped Jerry Tolley's pop fly.

Plymouth used their nine hits to net runs in the first, second, fourth and fifth innings. Edenton made two errors and Plymouth three.

# Easter Seal Drive Progressing Nicely

A check with Ernest Ward, Jr., chairman, and Jesse Harrell, treasurer, discloses that the Easter Seal campaign is progressing fairly well. However,

they remind everyone in Edenton and Chowan County that they should return their envelopes promptly so the committee could see how it stands by Easter Sunday.

Both Ward and Harrell expressed gratitude toward the way the public has responded to this drive, which aids crippled children and adults on both a local and state level. "One of the reasons that we urge people to send in their envelopes as soon as possible," stated Jesse Harrell, "is that there is a tendency to delay sending in the money and we feel sure many people only need reminding."

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