

Rev. D. E. Earnhardt

## Death Claims Mr. Earnhardt

Rev. D. E. Earnhardt, 100 West Gale Street, died Wednesday morning in Chowan Hospital following an extended illness. He was 83.

Mr. Earnhardt is a former president of Louisburg College and a well-known Methodist minister. He pastored 13 churches in North Carolina, was a member of the N. C. Methodist Conference and an affiliate member of Edenton United Methodist Church, where his son, Rev. E. L. Earnhardt, is pastor.

A veteran, he was an Army chaplain from 1942 to 1945.

Daniel Edwin Earnhardt was born on November 28, 1892, son of the late Daniel Luther and Ellen Ayers Earnhardt. He was married to Mrs. Esther Roberts Earnhardt who preceded him in death.

In addition to his son here with whom he made his home, surviving is another son, Rev. Daniel Thomas Earnhardt of Greenville, a daughter, Mrs. Evelyn Davis of Goldsboro; a brother, Wilbur Earnhardt of Durham; two sisters: Mrs. Helen Lance of Lake Junaluska; and Mrs. Irene Flythe of High Point; nine grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 11 A.M. Friday in Edenton United Methodist Church with Rev. Norwood Jones and Rev. Kern Ormond officiating. Graveside rites will be at 5 P.M. Friday in Old Maplewood Cemetery in Durham with Rev. Warren Petteway in charge.

Pallbearers are: Bernard Burroughs, Thomas Surratt, Greg Clark, Allen B. Harless, Jr., Larry Knox, and L. F. Amburn, Jr.

The family requests that flowers be omitted and memorial donations made to the Building Fund of Edenton United Methodist Church.

Williford-Barham Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

## Miss Rogerson Eyes Crown

Marta Rogerson, 17, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas G. Rogerson, has been selected to be a finalist in the 5th Annual Miss North Carolina Teen-ager Pageant to be held at Raleigh Memorial Auditorium April 24, 1976. The Host Hotel is the Holiday Inn Downtown where contestants will be housed from April 23-25, 1976. The Miss North Carolina Teen-ager Pageant is the Official State Finals to the Miss National



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## Public Parade

### Tightening Bite

In its first opportunity the N. C. Court of Appeals strengthened some parts of the state's open meetings law. The court upheld a suit by two Raleigh newspapers against their local school board.

This decision states "reasonable" public notice of meetings must be given by government boards and councils. "Reasonable" was defined as no less than six hours, even in emergency matters.

The law does not have a time requirement for public notice. However, the court said the law is meaningless unless the public was assured prior knowledge of when and where meetings were to be held.

There were some other questions of law clarified by the decision.

The open meetings law is not a "newspaper bill" but a people's measure. It has, however, been the target of those who want to go underground and blame the media.

While the bill as written has teeth in it, the appellate court's decision tightens the bite. Those who continue to toy around with the law may feel the pain sooner than expected.

### Rev. D. E. Earnhardt

One of this newspaper's most popular features will appear no more. The author of Wayside Pulpit was called to his heavenly rewards Wednesday morning. While the column has not appeared for some time we officially write "30", the journalistic symbol for "The End".

Those who regularly meander along the Public Parade will recall recently when we shared Rev. D. E. Earnhardt's concern over the lack of coordination between the mind and the fingers. The blank piece of paper in the typewriter berated him, as it does anyone who tries to express himself in writing.

But at the time we scolded him good naturedly for allowing it to happen to him at the tender age of eight score and three. He kept promising us that he would be back but his Exhausted Editor selfishly called him into His own before we had another crack at him.

Daniel Edwin Earnhardt was a strong man. He lived on sheer determination after the miracles of medicine had played out. He died like he lived—peacefully.

During his tenure on this earth he pastored 13 churches in the N. C. Methodist Conference, was president of Louisburg College

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# Three Given Active Terms

Several active prison sentences were given defendants in Chowan County Superior Court during the first two days of the criminal term. Judge Herbert Small of Elizabeth City is presiding.

Also, an armed robbery charge against Paul Johnson was dismissed when Asst. Dist. Atty. Keith Teague announced that the state had been unable to locate the prosecuting witness.

Johnson was charged with the felony in July, 1975. He was later arrested in Florida and returned here to stand trial.

Paul Allison Umphlett, arrested by Chowan County Sheriff's Department on a charge of possession of marijuana, was given a 16-month term.

Clyde William Boyce, arrested last month for auto larceny, was sentenced to five years in prison.

## Honor Squad

Volunteers of Edenton-Chowan Rescue Squad will be honored May 10 by the Edward G. Bond Post, No. 40, American Legion. A banquet to say "Thank you" will be held at the legion building.

W. A. Perry, Sr., commander, said tickets are now on sale for \$5 each and all profits from the banquet will go to the squad's general fund. Also, appreciation donations are being accepted.

Those who wish to either purchase banquet tickets to make donations can send their check to P. O. Box 390, Edenton or contact any member of the local post.

Perry said the rescue squad members comprise a small group of citizens who serve their fellowman and a group that has not previously been formally recognized. "The members of the Edenton-Chowan Rescue Squad have gone far beyond the call of duty as citizens of a free society," he added.

## Rate Increase

Effective May 1, 1976, the subscription rate for the Chowan Herald will be \$6.00 per year, plus 24 cents sales tax (\$6.24) in North Carolina and \$7.00 per year outside North Carolina.

The six months rate is \$3.50 plus 14 cents sales tax in North Carolina and \$4.50 outside North Carolina.

This is the first increase in the subscription rate of this newspaper in several years and it is regrettable that it is necessary at this time. However, inflation has hit the newspaper industry as hard, if not harder, than any other industry. Postage rates continue to climb and we find it impossible to continue to absorb these increases.

The single copy price of the newspaper will be 15 cents.

Any subscription taken out of renewed prior to the effective date of the increase will be honored at the existing rate.

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Richard Lee Dye, charged with drunk driving, was sentenced to six months. This is to run concurrently with a sentence he is now serving.

In other cases called the following action was taken:

William Cecil Drake, breaking and entering, larceny and receiving, 12 months, suspended upon payment of \$350 fine and costs and make restitution.

Lawrence Leroy Trafton, driving while license revoked and public drunkenness, 12 months, suspended upon payment of \$350 fine and costs and placed on probation for three years.

Desoto Hurdle, drunk driving, 90 days, suspended upon payment of \$100 fine and costs.

Lessie Mae Mills, drunk driving, 60 days, suspended upon payment of \$100 fine and costs.

Willis Augustus Carter, convicted by a jury of drunk driving, 60 days, suspended upon payment of \$250 fine and costs.

Carroll Jackson Forehand, speeding, prayer for judgment continued upon payment of costs.

William Henry Downing, two counts of worthless checks, and Linwood Bailey, carrying a concealed weapon, called and failed.

Worley Vernon Neely, traffic violation, costs.

Rosa Cunningham, assault with a deadly weapon, 60 days, suspended upon payment of \$100 fine and costs and placed on

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## Barbecue Set

John A. Holmes High School band members and their parents will hold a door-to-door barbecue ticket sale in Edenton and surrounding area on April 20, beginning at 7 P.M. Tickets will be \$2.50 per plate.

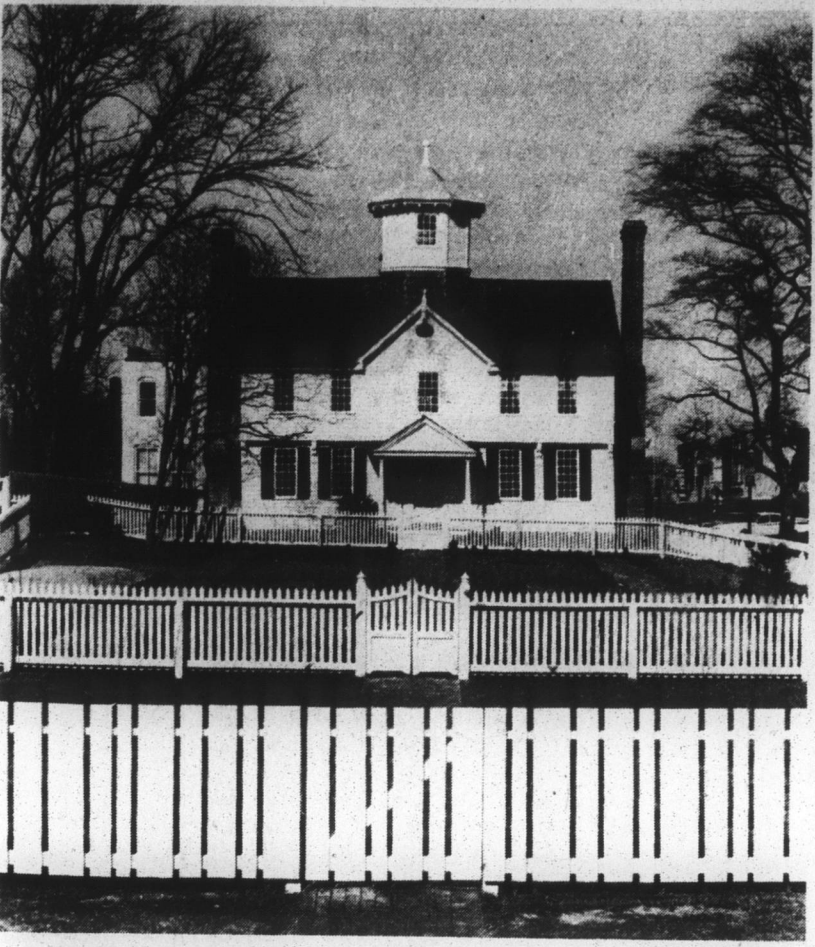
Proceeds from this project will be used to purchase hats, shoulder cords, plumes and spats to complement the present uniforms, and to sponsor a small number of students to a resident camp for a Rifle and Flag Corps.

A spokesman stated, "This is the first dinner the present Band Parents Club has sponsored. The support of the community in this fund raising campaign will be appreciated."

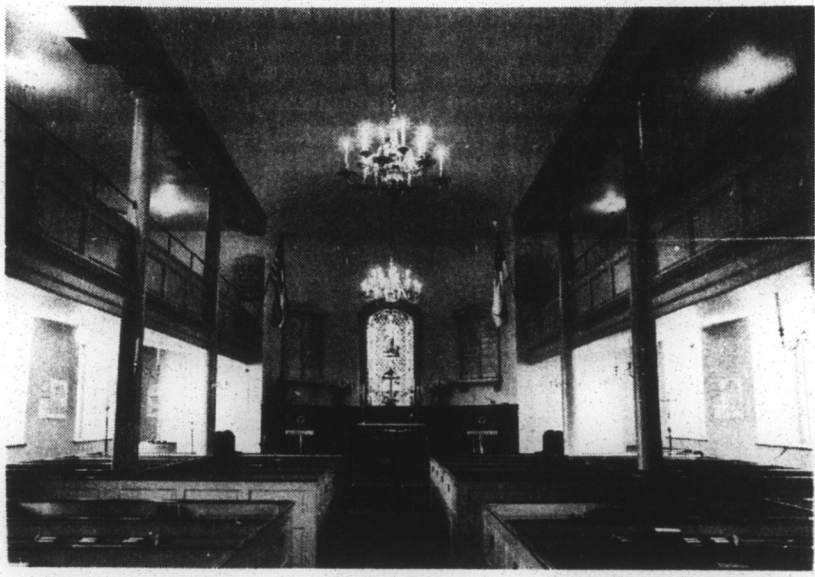
## Colonial Park Is Dedicated

Colonial Park was formally dedicated Friday during the Edenton Bicentennial Arts Festival. Among the guest present for the dedication were U. S. Sen. Robert Morgan, Jack Hawke, federal co-chairman of the Coastal Plains Regional Commission, and Missy Underkofler, who was first place winner in the Name The Park Contest.

Hawke commented that the park was "something being dedicated for future generations" and that with a 23 per cent rate of unemployment in the construction industry, it had created needed jobs. He noted that the merit of the



THIRD SYMPOSIUM—The Cupola House and formal gardens will be included in the third biennial Symposium sponsored by the Edenton Historical Commission. St. Paul's Episcopal Church, interior shot, also on the tour, will host a recital of 18th Century organ music during the three-day event.



## Third Symposium Slated

The Edenton Historical Commission will hold its third biennial Symposium on April 29, 30, and May 1. A highlight of North Carolina's Bicentennial activities, the Symposium offers a unique opportunity to study various aspects of the history, architecture, and furnishings of Edenton and the surrounding area.

As in previous symposia some of Edenton's most historic buildings will be used as the setting for lectures as well as social events. A candlelight reception and choral concert featuring music of the 18th Century will be held in the Chowan County Courthouse, built in 1769. St. Paul's Episcopal Church, built between 1736 and 1766 will be the scene of an 18th Century organ music recital. Garden lovers and

restoration bugs will especially enjoy touring the Cupola House, built in 1725, and its recently reconstructed formal garden.

Somerset Place, the beautifully restored State Historic Site on Lake Phelps, will be the scene of a buffet and candlelight tour. Life at Somerset Place, built in 1830 by the Collins family of Edenton, will be the topic of a lecture by Dr. Sarah Lemmon of Meredith College.

Mr. B. L. Rauschenberg and Mrs. Dorothy B. Welker of the Museum of Early Southern Decorative Arts are also among the distinguished list of speakers. Mr. Rauschenberg, Assistant Director of MESDA, will present a slide-lecture titled, "New Discoveries of Southern-Made and Imported Ceramics". Mrs. Welker's slide-lecture is titled "Carolina Furnishings".

An architectural walking tour at heightening Symposium participants interest in, and knowledge of American architectural styles and characteristics is also featured. Registration fees are \$50 per person. Enrollment in the Symposium is again limited to 60 persons. Persons interested in attending the Edenton Symposium on History, Architecture and Furnishings should contact Louis Hafermehl, Site Manager, Historic Edenton, Inc., Box 474, Edenton, N. C. 27932.

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PARK DEDICATION—Involved in the dedication Friday of Colonial Park were left to right: Walter Noneman of the ARPDC; Jacke Hawke, co-chairman of the Coastal Plains Regional Commission; W. B. Gardner, town administrator; C. A. Phillips, chairman of the Chowan County commissioners; U. S. Sen. Robert Morgan; J. Clarence Leary, Jr., co-chairman of the Bicentennial Arts Festival; and Mayor Roy L. Harrell.



AWARDS PRESENTED—Missy Underkofler, sixth grader and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Underkofler, shown at left above, was presented a \$50 Savings Bond as first place winner in the Name the Park Contest. She is shown with the four runners-up who, from left to right, are Gene Radford, Bill Whichard, Jr., Charlene Hughes, and Wallace Goodwin, Jr.