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THE HISTORY PRIZE PAPER

Won By Miss Anna Claire Hodges of the Graduating Class

ON HISTORIC EDENTON

In the northeastern corner of North Carolina, situated on the beautiful Adrenaline Sound, lies "Historic Old Edenton." This is not only one of the oldest towns in North Carolina, but in America.

The exact date of the settlement of Edenton is not known, but as early as 1655 there was considerable development about this point, bearing the name of "Chowan precinct."

The beauty of fertility of the surrounding country, the mildness and equality of the climate, together with religious liberty, and the ease of access by land and water for adventurous settlers, made it at once a local point of immigration.

Upon the death of Governor Charles Eden in 1722 it was called Edenton, in his honor. His remains were laid to rest in what is now known as "Bertie County."

"Vivit Post funera Ille Quem virtus non marmor in aeternum Sacrat"

"He lives after burial whom virtue not marble commemorates."

Other Colonial governors who lived at Edenton were Seth Sothel, who was very unpopular and Governor Henderson Walker and Thomas Pollock, who were much loved by the people.

During Governor Eden's administration the town was frequently visited by Edward Teach, or better known as "Black Beard." This heartless pirate forced the Edentonians to give up the best of their luxuries to him, and would threaten with death if they refused him anything.

When first incorporated Edenton contained 420 acres. This incorporation was closed in by a high wall, to serve as a protection against the hostile Indians.

"Lawson wrote in 1798: 'The fame of this newly discovered summer leaf spread through the colonies, and in a few years drew considerable number of families thereto. The people are kind and hospitable. The women are pretty, and when not exposed to the weather, very fair, with bright eyes. They are reared up to be well acquainted with all the affairs of the home. They are more industrious than the male sex. They marry very young, often at thirteen or fourteen, and rear a brood."

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EXCITING CHASE LAST EVENING

In Which Four of Our Townsmen Take An Important Part.

Last night about 9:30 o'clock, Messrs C. F. Stancill, D. M. Lucas, C. R. Fleming and J. H. Calloway, while sitting in Mr. Fleming's room in the Havens-Small building, were attracted by a noise in the alley between the Havens-Small building and the N. S. Fulford building, as if some one was trying to open a window.

ENTERPRIZE FOR WASHINGTON

The Crystal Ice Company's Cold Storage Now in Full Blast

MODERN APPLIANCES

The Room is of 4,320 Cubic Feet Capacity—To Store All Kinds of Perishable Stuffs During the Summer Months Should be Patronized.

This cold-storage department of the Crystal Ice Company was started up on yesterday for the first time at their plant on Water street. This is the only enterprise of its kind in this section of North Carolina, and no doubt will be liberally patronized by our business men and citizens generally.

The department is situated in the building on North Water street of the company. The storage room is 30x12 and is of 4,320 cubic feet capacity. It has every appliance for the successful handling of meats, vegetables, butter and all kinds of perishable stuff during the warm months.

We had the pleasure of going through this department yesterday accompanied by the manager of the Crystal Ice Company, Mr. Samuel Cary. It is well arranged and must be visited by our citizens to be properly appreciated.

This growing concern is to be congratulated on their late move for popular favor.

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ANNUAL COMMENCEMENT OF WASHINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS LAST NIGHT WAS THE MOST SUCCESSFUL IN SCHOOL'S HISTORY

The Address of Hon. O. H. Benson, of the United States Department of Agriculture, Much Enjoyed and Appreciated—Hon. John H. Awards Diplomas and Certificates to Graduating Class—Delightful Occasion

The largest class in its history graduated last evening from the Washington Public Schools and today full fledged graduates are ready to begin struggles of life in different callings and vocations.

Seated with them were Superintendent N. C. Newbold, Hon. John H. Small, chairman of the school board, Hon. O. H. Benson of Washington, D. C. speaker of the evening, Rev. H. B. Searight, Major W. C. Redman, Miss Cox teacher in the business department, Rev. J. A. Sullivan, Mayor C. H. Harding, secretary of the school board, Rev. Robt. V. Hope, Rev. R. H. Broom, Principal P. Q. Bryan, Mr. E. R. Mixon, Mr. G. A. Phillips, Mr. F. J. Berry, Miss Lillian Bonner and others.

The program started with a song "Soldiers' Chorus" by the school choir. Then the invocation was made by Rev. H. B. Searight, pastor of the First Presbyterian church.

The next on the program was the introduction of the speaker. This duty was graciously performed by Hon. J. H. Small. In his presidential address Mr. Small among other things said that the occasion had right to be the most important in the history of the city—certainly each year for the Washington Public schools are second to none.

The problem of the school is the building problem—here the duties of life are wrought out—the climate of a successful career. With the people of America appreciated the importance of the school day for every day a pupil loses in school it means a loss of from ten to fifteen dollars. It means a great deal who plays on your heartstrings. Speaker called attention to the manual training and domestic science departments and complimented the institution here on having these essential additions.

The industries of any school in my experience of 14 years I have found to be the best spellers. See to it, he intimated that you have a head training, heart training, hand training and health training. There is as much analysis in an ear of corn as in grammar. Said the time had come in American life when we must take short jumps. Mr. Benson illustrated his thought with a story of Roosevelt and the lion in the jungles of Africa. There is no reason why education should not keep pace with machinery, with churches etc. The speaker closed his fine address by stating that one will get out of this world what is put in it, what one sows that he will reap. The very best in life is that which serves others. Misses Bonner and Pope next rendered a piano duet. A gift from the

Women's Betterment Association in the form of a handsome picture was presented to the school by Prof. Newbold in behalf of the president, Mrs. B. G. Stess. The gift was accepted by Mr. Small the chairman of the trustees. The next selection was a chorus "Jolly Students" by the school.

The superintendent of the schools next read the following report of the year's work:

Superintendent's Report—1910-1911 May 12, 1911.

Ladies and Gentlemen: The object of making a report to you on the commencement occasion is that a few of the most important facts concerning the year's work may be given you in this brief way. Many of you, perhaps, will not have an opportunity, or will not take time to read our printed report when it is issued. Besides the information is fresh now and will be more interesting to you.

The total enrollment for the year is 783. The average daily attendance is 650.

The regularity of attendance has been most satisfactory. Very few children have been out of school except for sickness.

In punctuality our record has not been good. The number of tardies for year has been extremely large it seems to me. The total being 653. Nearly an average of one for every pupil enrolled. This is true after we have made faithful persistent efforts to keep down tardies without making a definite rule not to allow them at all.

There are now the following distinct departments in your schools.

First, the Kindergarten in which 53 children have been enrolled. One trained kindergarten with an assistant has charge of this department. Children are taken who are five years old at or near the beginning of the school year in September.

Second, the Primary Department. Grades one to three inclusive; 278 pupils were enrolled and five teachers are employed. Each teacher has an average of 56 pupils.

Third, the Grammar School. Grades four to seven inclusive. The number of pupils enrolled in this department is 318. Eight teachers are employed. The average number of pupils for each teacher is 40.

Fourth, The High School Department. This includes the highest division of the seventh grade and the four years in the high school proper. Five teachers are employed in this department and 134 students have been enrolled. An average of 27 for each teacher. In the high school what is known as department work is done, that is, one instructor teaches one subject through all the five classes in the department. For instance all the Latin is taught by one teacher, all the English by one, etc.

Fifth the Business Department, in which eight students have been enrolled. One instructor gives part of her time to teaching this class. A tuition fee of \$5.00 a month is charged, and the department is self-sustaining. Four students will graduate from this department—one of whom already has a position in a business establishment in the city, from which she is earning now for only part of the day at least four times as much per month as her business course in shorthand and typewriting costs.

Sixth, Domestic Science, which includes cooking and sewing. All the girls in the high school department are required to take this work. Seventy-four girls divided into sections of 10 or 12 get two to four periods of one hour and twenty minutes every other week. This department is run on the presumption that every girl should learn how to prepare a palatable digestible meal, and at least to know how the family sewing should be done.

Seventh, Manual Training. This department aims to train the eye, the mind, and the hand to do practical things. All the boys in the high school are required to do this work.

This means that sixty boys give the same amount of time to this work as do the girls in the Domestic Science Department. A number of useful articles have been made by the boys and sold at our recent school exhibit in April.

Eighth, The Music Department. This includes instrumental music for which the teacher is herself responsible, and sight singing in the grades once a week. This is very little time to give to this branch but it is the best that could be done so far. There has been some opposition to this work. This is due to a lack of understanding. This opposition is gradually subsiding because both pupils and parents are beginning to see that there is no real ground for opposition. Failures in the subject this spring are not one half so numerous as they were last spring.

All eight of the departments described are operated in this single building—783 pupils and 25 teachers, making a total of more than 800 people working under the same roof.

The cost of all this training which is offered to your children free so far as they are concerned averages about \$7.30 according to our school census, and about \$12.03 on the basis of enrollment for each child. If you can continue to educate your children on this basis, \$13.00 a year per capita, then \$144 will take your child when he is five years old into the kindergarten and graduate him from the high school at sixteen prepared to enter your colleges or the state university, or will send him out fairly well equipped for the battles of real life.

To be frank with you, my friends, I believe I am safe in saying that very few of our people realize even faintly what a tremendous asset you have in your public school.

A very few years ago the standard of our high school measured by what is known as the unit system was about 9 or 10 units, and it was impossible for students leaving here to enter the university or any of our higher colleges without being conditioned in practically all subjects. Now according to the rating made by the state inspector of high schools it is rated in the B class of high schools for this state which means between 12 and 14 units. Our present graduating class can enter the institutions with perhaps only one condition, about one-half unit of mathematics, and about one-half unit of Latin. No failures in second year. All in the department except one promoted—she not present to take examinations.

Some of the most satisfactory results of raising our high school course are, I believe, as follows:

First, Students are apparently more anxious to stay in school and finish the course. We have this year the largest graduating class, so far as I know, in the history of the schools.

Second, Students throughout the higher grammar grades and the high school appear to be more eager to stay in school, pass their examinations, looking forward to the time of their graduation.

Third, There is a stronger class and high spirit throughout the department. Perhaps most important of all is the growing desire for higher education. We all know that greater and better preparations, means, on the whole, better service.

In the present class of 15, seven have practically made arrangements to enter college next fall, six others express a desire to go later if not then, one intends to take a Domestic Science course in Columbia University, N. Y., and one will study music as a specialty, here for a year, then elsewhere.

When this building was erected it is probably true that you thought you were making provision for a number of years. Every recitation room in the building, however, is occupied at this time; in fact two small rooms that were intended for library rooms are used as class rooms. There

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BLOOD ON MOON SAYS "TRAT'S WHO"

The editor of Daily News received the following letter this morning postmarked at Washington, May 11th, City:

We are having more trouble since you have been on the force than we have had for the past 2 years. So the best thing you can do is to act as an officer in the officers place if you don't see some moment when you least expect a sudden judgment might happen to you after dark night you had better stay on the front where you can have protection for there is non for you YOU on the back. You see as an enemy THAT'S WHO

Thrilling Detective Story Free.

There are three reasons why you should read "The Adventure of Black Peter," the great Sherlock Holmes detective story, to be given free, in booklet form, with copies of next Sunday's New York World. In the first place it is a rattling good story; secondly, it is an extraordinarily great story; thirdly, it is one of the best detective narratives ever written by Sir A. Conan Doyle, the most famous author of "mystery fiction" of modern times. Their demand is so great Sunday Worlds should be ordered from newdealers in advance.

THE WEATHER

Generally fair tonight and Sunday.

DAY'S LENGTH

Sun rises 4:39; Sun sets 7:41.

APPOINTMENTS AT CHURCHES

Attractive Religious Services for Sunday Morning and Evening

STRANGERS ARE INVITED

In all the Houses of Worship Tomorrow Morning and Evening the Pastors will deliver Sermons of Power and Thought—Good Music is Promised.

St. Peter's Episcopal Church. Rev. Nathaniel Harding, rector. Morning and evening prayer at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. conducted by the rector. Sunday school meets at 4 o'clock. E. K. Willis, Jr. superintendent. Bible class meets at 3 o'clock. Hon. H. B. Ward, teacher. All cordially invited to attend all services.

Christian Church. Regular services Sunday morning and evening at the usual hour. The pastor will fill his pulpit both hours. Christian Endeavor Society meets at 10 a. m. Sunday school and baracca class meets at three o'clock. Mr. Gurganus superintendent. All invited.

First Presbyterian Church. Rev. H. B. Searight, pastor. Regular services Sunday morning and evening at the usual hours. Prayer-meeting Wednesday evening. Sunday school meets at 4 o'clock. Mr. C. M. Brown Jr., superintendent.

First Methodist. Rev. R. H. Broom, pastor. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Preparatory services are to begin for the revival meeting to begin on the third Sunday. Sunday school at 4 p. m. Mr. E. R. Mixon superintendent. Prayer-meeting Wednesday evening.

First Baptist Church. Rev. J. A. Sullivan, pastor. Sunday school 9:45 a. m. Sermon subject "Possibilities." Evening worship 8 p. m. Sermon, subject: "For His Father's Sake." Sunbeams will meet Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Ladies Missionary Society will meet Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Prayer-meeting Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

Home prayer-meetings will be held next meet in preparation of the revival meetings to begin Sunday May 21. Announcement of the places of the prayer-meetings will be made at services tomorrow. Visitors and strangers are welcome to all services.

PREDICTS PEACE NEXT 24-HOURS

Gen'l Madero Establishes Provisional Government at Juarez.

STRONG HOPE OF PEACE

Juarez, Mex., May 12.—Mexico's provisional government composed of insurrectionists, became an established fact today with the naming of a cabinet by Francisco I. Madero, Jr., provisional president and with the establishment of a capital in the captured city of Juarez, where General Navarro and his federal troops are held prisoners.

The cabinet follows: Minister of foreign relations: Dr. Vasquez Gomez.

Finance: Gustavo A. Madero. War: Venustiano Carranza. Interior: F. Gonzales Garza. Justice: Jose M. Pino Suarez. Private secretary to President Madero: Juan Sanchez A. Secoma.

Secretary of War Carranza will have charge of railways and telegraphs.

His first act was to grant permission for the repair of the Mexico Northwestern railroad. Men immediately began repairing the roadbed south of Juarez.

Gonzales Garza will have charge of the main service, and Secretary of the Treasury Madero will direct the affairs of the customs house.

That the insurrecto army is more than an armed mob was shown today in the absence of general looting and intoxication and the quickness in which the shattered city was cleared of its dead and wounded.

The embargo against visitors was removed today and sightseers by the thousands poured across the bridges from El Paso.

The insurrectos are not overlooking the possibility of attack from Colonel Rabago, reported approaching from Chihuahua with a relief force. The rebel leaders will not divulge their plans but it is known that surprise from the south is carefully guarded against.

Now that the battle of Juarez has been fought and won, even the insurrecto leaders are wondering some what of the easiness of the capture of the city that appeared almost impregnable.

With a well drilled force of regulars thoroughly armed with field and machine guns posted at strategic points the garrison was outflanked and outmaneuvered and surrendered to a force of insurrectos that at the most did not number more than 600 or 700 fighting men.

Rev. G. D. Malone of Chocowinity. Rev. E. L. Malone, his son, of Belhaven and his guest Rev. Mr. Gibbons of Emporia Va. were Washington visitors Friday afternoon.

Invitation. We Acknowledge the Receipt of the following:

Mr. and Mrs. Macon Herbert Bonner request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter Lillian Machette to

Mr. William Harris Williams on the morning of Wednesday, the 24th of May at ten o'clock At Saint Peter's Church Washington, N. C. Will be at home after the first of August at Newton, N. C.

Mrs. Emily Peels of Martin county arrived via the Atlantic Coast Line yesterday to spend sometime with her son, Mr. J. L. Peels. Mr. Peels's sister is also his guest from Pitt county.

Returned Missionary. Miss Ivy, missionary from Kona, Hawaii, will lecture at the First Methodist church on next Tuesday night. The lecture is most cordially invited to be present.

Mr. Robert Bogart expects to leave Monday with his brother Mr. W. M. Bogart for an extended visit to Dallas Texas. He will be absent from the city several months.