

BANDON PLANTATION  
EDENTON, NORTH CAROLINA

Sept 7 55

Dearest Ruth:

Please thank Charles so much for his letter of Oct 1.

We have just returned from the 250 th Anniversary Celebration of the founding of the town of Bath. It was very successful - every seat sold and many could not get near the amphitheater. We thought it one of the most successful and beautiful pageants of the many we have seen.

Presumably you are thinking about the annual October letter to the members of the Antiquities. I presume you will wish to include the tentative program in the letter. I feel that it will be a very interesting program indeed, and have no doubt that it will enthuse people to attend the meeting.

The fact that it will include the report of the dedication and blessing of the Elizabethan Garden on Virginia Dare Birthday, will attract many people to the meeting, both from our membership and from the Garden Club members.

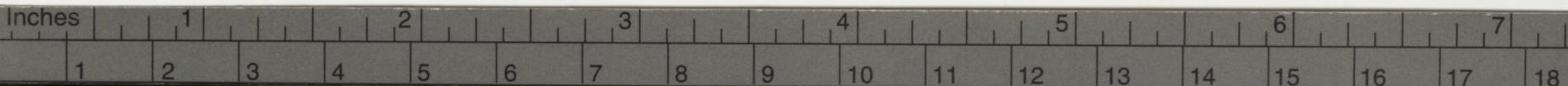
A letter from Elizabeth Ives that she will serve. She will be chairman of the evening meeting, with the award of the Cannon Cups, with Paul Green to make the presentations as usual.

The Governor and Mrs. Hodges, as honor guests at the luncheon meeting, and the Elizabethan Garden Committee to put on the program; that should be outstanding.

The restoration panel, for the morning business meeting, (Mr. Kellenberger, as moderator) will give added interest. Then after the presentation of the awards, Wilmington will take over the rest of the evening meeting.

Enclosed is the tentative program.

With love



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Antiquities - Tentative program for Dec. meeting.

10 AM Business meeting . Vice Pres. presiding.  
Restoration Panel - Mr. John Kellenberger, Moderator)

Alston House, Moore County. Elizabeth<sup>a</sup> Stephenson Ives.  
Gaston Office, New Bern. ?

Tryon Palace, New Bern - May Gordon Kellenberger.

Bath Church (Old St. Thomas) ?

Iredell House, Edenton. Mr. Grayson Harding, President.

Penelope Barker House, Edenton. Miss. Elizabeth Moore,  
Historian.

Halifax Gaol, Halifax, Mrs. ? Gary.

Old Salem Restoration, Winston-Salem, Elizabeth Dillard  
Reynolds.  
Or Dr. Rites.

(Mrs. Branch will know other restorations which the  
Antiquities have assisted.) Isn't there a church near  
Chapel Hill, which Mrs. Cotten reported on?

We could have two or three more.

Invocation

1 PM Luncheon, Garden Room, Sir Walter. Introduction of  
Gov. & Mrs. Hodges, by Mrs. Glenn Long, Chmn. Elizabethan Garden.  
Report on Elizabethan Garden by Mrs. George Little, Pres. of  
The Garden Club of North Carolina.  
Report on the Blessing of the Garden and Dedication, on  
Aug. 18, at Ft. Raleigh, by members of the Elizabethan  
Garden Committee - Mrs. Roy Homewood, Mrs. Corbett Howard,  
and Mrs. Sam Hutaff.

\*Suggest - Rev. George Hill read the Collect from the Book of Common \*  
8-30 Evening meeting. Elizabeth Stephenson Ives, Presiding. Prayer  
Charles A. Cannon Cup, awards by Paul Green.  
Program by Wilmington, North Carolina,

Benediction Dr. Sylvester Green ?

(This is a general outline. Make any changes you suggest)

\* Collect from Rogation Day, which he read at the Blessing of  
The Garden.

