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Crockett, Crane, Baldwin and Butterfield Vesper Speakers

Rev. R. D. Crockett of Bennett College; Dr. Henry Hitt Crane, pastor of Central Methodist Church, Detroit, Michigan; Mr. Roger Baldwin, director of the American Civil Liberties Union; and Dr. Victor L. Butterfield, president of Wesleyan University, Middletown, Conn., were the college vesper speakers during the past weeks.

Speaking before the vesper service, January 21, Rev. R. D. Crockett told his audience that, "the more excellent way" in life is usually the most difficult.

"Realizing that it is always easier to do the wrong thing than it is to do the right", continued the speaker, "many of us are so apt to take the easiest way out, sometimes never foreseeing the possible consequences."

He added that as one pursues through life, he must lose himself and take a definite stand. "When we do this", he asserted, "then we can be assured that God will always be with us".

Dr. Crane

"The problem of pain is too involved and too difficult for the human brain to grasp", said Dr. Henry Hitt Crane. (Continued On Page Three)

Alpha Epsilon Sends Delegate To National Honor Society Convention

Alpha Epsilon Chapter sent Roberta Favors as a delegate to the Seventh Annual Convention of the Alpha Kappa Mu Honor Society held at Hampton Institute on February 8-9. Bennett was one among eleven colleges represented.

The theme of the meeting was the stimulation of scholarship in the colleges. Discussions around this theme led to the making of concrete plans for the emphasizing and realizing of the values of scholarship in the life of the college student. The principal address was delivered by Dr. Felton Clark of Southern University on the subject of "The Achievement of Status" which the speaker said can be done only through scholarship.

Other chapters in this region represented at the convention were those of A. and T. College, Fayetteville State College, Virginia Union and Hampton Institute. Approximately fifty delegates were present.

One of the suggestions made to foster scholarship was the observance of Alpha Kappa Mu Day on the various campuses which our own chapter will observe.

War Comes To Bennett

The war came straight to Bennett's door when on one of the coldest days of the winter, there was no coal and consequently no heat on the campus. Attempting to meet the wholly uncomfortable situation in the best possible spirit everyone buttoned up his coat and shivered through the day's routine. The Students Senate boosted morale with signs like "It's Snowing in Belgium," "Tain't So 'Coal'" and "Be Like the Ant, Keep Busy."

This is the first time that the war has been brought home on Bennett's campus but it will not be the last time. There will be many more days when there will be a shortage on things that we need. Then, we will do just as we did when there was no coal—button up our coats and take it! The moral—save, conserve, do not waste—fuel, food, lights, clothes!

Deposed "Flat Hat" Editor Invited To Join Banner Staff As Guest Writer

Marilyn Kaemmerle, editor of the "Flat Hat", student publication at Williams and Mary College in Virginia, who was deposed by faculty action last week for her editorial on accepting Negroes as equals, has been invited by the BANNER to join the staff as a guest editorial writer.

The editorial, which caused the ousting of Miss Kaemmerle and the subsequent suspension of publication of "Flat Hat" when the students refused to continue publication under strict faculty censorship, urged that Negroes should be recognized as equals in minds and souls. This means, the editorial continued, that Negro students should attend the same classes with white students, participate in the same college functions, join the same clubs, pin the same class mates, room together and intermarry.

The BANNER, in extending the invitation to Miss Kaemmerle to join the staff, neither requests that she continue the same controversy nor suggests any particular topic on which she might write, in the event she accepts.

Former Dean Appointed To Clinical Psychology Post In Army

Lieutenant James T. Morton, Jr., of the Station Hospital, Camp Rucker, Alabama, received a direct appointment in clinical psychology the first of the year. Lt. Morton is a native of Evanston, Illinois and former dean of instruction and instructor of Education and Psychology here at Bennett.

Lt. Morton did his undergraduate work at the University of Illinois. He received his M. A. and Ph. D. degrees from Northwestern University in 1935 and 1942, respectively.

Before going to Camp Rucker, Lt. Morton was at Tuskegee where he administered psychological tests to Aviation Cadets. He is at present the only Negro officer on his post and has received wide experience in clinical psychology "the army way".

Lt. Morton, we hail you!

Carol Brice Presented In Song Recital

On Tuesday evening, February 20, Carol Brice the noted Negro contralto was presented in a song recital in the Annie Merner Pfeiffer Chapel. Miss Brice is the niece of Dr. Charlotte Hawkins Brown and is a former student of Palmer Memorial Institute, of which Dr. Brown is President and Founder.

Miss Brice thrilled the audience with a rich voice that had a wide range, pure intonation and clarity of texture. She handled all classic groups from Handel to the modern ideas of Rachmaninoff to our own spirituals of Negro folk songs, with ease that was all the more remarkable for the power and depth of her voice. Her tones were firmly placed and excellently controlled on the breath while its crescendo was notably even.

Miss Brice was accompanied by her brother, Jonathan Brice, who recently accompanied Ellabelle Davis during our last series of Lyceum programs.

The high light of Miss Brice's program were:

"Quella"—Marcello; "Im Hebst"— (Continued On Page Four)

Home-Making Institute Brings Mrs. Roosevelt To Campus

The nineteenth annual Home Making Institute to be held during the week of March 18-24 will bring to our campus such well known persons as Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, Col. Campbell Johnston, and Dr. Katherine Lenroot, Chief of the Children's Bureau, U. S. Dept. of Labor. The theme of the institute "The Returning Soldier and His Problems" will emphasize the adjustment of the veteran soldier in relation to his family and his community.

The institute will be carried to the two rural communities of the college health project, Mount Tabor and Collins Grove. Representing the soldier will be an overseas war correspondent and his family will be represented by the mother of a discharged veteran.

Discussions will be lead by Mrs. Roosevelt, Col. Johnston and Dr. Lenroot.

CAMPUS VISITOR



Dr. Ann Cook Visits Campus

Dr. Ann Cook, Coordinator of the Arts at Hampton Institute spent the week of February 19 on the campus.

The primary purpose of her visit was to provide students with an opportunity to create collectively and to acquaint them with the successive stages in conveying ideas in dramatic form. In order to do this she and interested students worked together to produce what is known as a "Living Newspaper"—a type of dramatic presentation revolving around some idea which is uppermost in the mind of the student body as a whole. The Living Newspaper portrays to the audience in an animated way the thoughts of the students taken from campus life.

At mass meetings the students decided on the idea and the art forms to give it best expression. They worked out the scenes, cast the production and arranged the details of staging.

Dr. Cook is a graduate of Oberlin College in Ohio where she specialized in drama. Because of outstanding work in the field of dramatics she received fellowships which enabled her in three years at the Yale School of Drama to complete requirements for the Ph. D. degree. Dr. Cook is the first Negro to receive the Ph. D. degree in the field of Dramatic Arts.

Bennett is the first Negro college at which Dr. Cook has tried the experiment of the Living Newspaper in the six years in her work of this type of Dramatic Art. Look in next issue of your BANNER for details of the Living Newspaper as it was presented at Bennett.

Does Senatorial Policy Cast Shadow Of Future Of American Thinking?

By Ethel R. Johnson, '47.

Students Organize International Relations Club On Campus

Twenty-five students, anxious for enlightenment on international affairs, came together in a voluntary discussion group, and organized the International Relations Club of Bennett College. The newly organized club, under the faculty supervision of Dr. Frederic A. Jackson, will meet fortnightly.

The International Relations Club, just one of many such student organizations in American colleges, is affiliated with similar clubs sponsored throughout the world by the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace.

Already, materials for the Club's library have begun to arrive. The library, known as the International Relations Club Library, has been set up in the Nan Goode-Smith room and is open to all students. Students, who are non-members, are invited to the fortnightly discussions.

Lyceum Committee Presents Ellabelle Davis In Recital

The Lyceum committee attained a most excellent beginning for this semester with the presentation of Ellabelle Davis, soprano in a recital, accompanied by Jonathan Brice at the piano, Saturday February 3 in the Annie Merner Pfeiffer chapel.

The program was of five parts consisting of select songs of many well known composers—Dett, Strauss, Torelli, Burleigh, Weber and many others. From the beginning with Tu Lo Sai by Torelli to the close of the program with an encore "Summertime" Ellabelle Davis exemplified all highest qualities of superb excellence in a soprano voice and was found to be meritorious of any of the many compliments give her by newspapers and audiences after each performance with the accompanying of piano or a famous orchestra.

One of the most outstanding pieces of the program was "Bigot's Adieux De L'Hotesse Arabe" which inevitably led to an encore of the same. Another selection enjoyed by all was the Aria: "Leise, Leise Tromme Weise" from "Der Freischutz" by Weber which constituted the whole third part of the program.

Community Project Expands

The class of Rural Sociology is a part of the expanded program. These students are at present working on a specific program of Health Education for the rural communities. They plan to reach the people of the communities through the common media of communication: questionnaires, skits, posters, and informal lectures. As soon as the plans are approved by the instructor, Miss Parker, the students will be taken into the communities to execute their own plans.

Mrs. Martena, College Librarian, has agreed to work with the director in securing library facilities. Students in Library Science will participate in the phase of the program.

Another point of expansion is at the Florence High School. Miss Parker and Miss Ware are working with the P. T. A. there in a new lunchroom project. As soon as this program is in operation, the students in Nutrition will have actual practice in operating it.

Dr. Beittel of Guilford College has (Continued On Page Four)

Will the thinking in this country after the WAR be liberal or reactionary? Two events of recent happenings as they concern "senatorial policy" have caught the public eye and must raise the question as to whether they cast the shadow of the trend of future thinking? Will it be conservatively reactionary or progressively liberal?

The first of these events concern the appointment of Henry Wallace as Secretary of Commerce. At this writing the Senate is still holding up Wallace's confirmation pending the passage of the George bill, an act designed to remove all financial agencies (RFC and others) from the Commerce Department. It is expected that Wallace's confirmation will follow the passage of this bill.

The Department of Commerce, prior to the George bill, commanded the principal mechanism for the achievement of full employment after the war. Wallace, a liberal and always a champion of the rights of the common man, had he been confirmed prior to the position to aid and to stimulate our trade, both foreign and domestic, as well as to encourage small businesses—all important in a program for full employment.

The fight against Wallace is a fight against full employment and against the concept of an expanding economy which would aid all people alike. It is a fight to maintain monopolistic control of business with its attending (Continued On Page Three)

Holgate Library Adds Books To Collection

The Holgate Library recently added several new fiction and non-fiction books to its collection. The new fiction books include—John Hersey, A BELL FOR ADANO; a very recent book by John Steinbeck, CANNERY ROW; Frances Blackwood, MRS ENGLAND GOES ON LIVING. Also added are TRAGIC GROUND by Erskine Caldwell (the author of TOBACCO ROAD) and the much sought after EVER AMBER by Winsor. Interestingly written fiction books dealing with the ever present minority struggle help make up this new collection also, namely: TIMELESS LAND by Eleanor Dark, FOLLOW THE DRINKING GOURD by Gaither and EARTH AND HIGH HEAVEN by Graham. The former depicts the hardships and demonization of the Negroes in Australia since its settlement. (Continued On Page Three)

Senior Week To Be Held On The Campus

The annual Senior week exercises will be held on the campus during the week of March 5. All chapel services will be sponsored by the class in that week. Monday, there will be a talent program; contemporary affairs on Tuesday; Wednesday class president, Carolyn Robertson will speak in formal chapel. The class skit on Thursday, and on Friday the Senior Day exercises will climax the events of the week.

All day Wednesday faculty stop-day will be observed, the Seniors having complete charge of the school. That evening at the Mid-Week Vespers the Senior members of the choir will be presented. Thursday evening the birthday dinner will be in charge of the class. Sunday afternoon at vespers members of the class will officiate.

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