

Spring Vacation
Begins April 13

THE BENNETT BANNER

Youth Days
April 6-8

"Believing that an informed campus is a Key to Democracy"

VOL. XXVII, NO. 6

GREENSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA

MARCH, 1962

Choir on Tour of Midwest

101 Seniors Receive Their Caps, Gowns In Ceremony

The College Choir

Major Appearance Set For U.N.C.F. Meet In Pittsburgh

Senior Day exercises were held in the Annie Merner Pfeiffer Chapel on March 16, 1962 at 4 p.m. The service began with the traditional long walk of the seniors from the gymnasium to the chapel.

During the ceremony over which President Player presided, 101 senior students received their caps and gowns and the authorization to wear them until the completion of the commencement exercises on June 4, 1962.

Dr. Winston announced the seven students who are graduating with top honors. They are as follows: Misses Dorothy Bacon, an English major; Rosalie Stanley, a sociology major; Patricia Brown, with a major in medical technology; Lula Goolsby, an English major; Jean Hayes, with a major in language; Freddie Stukes, a sociology major; and Juanita Wheeler, with a major in social science.

Following the robing of the senior members by their sophomore sisters, Gloria Williams gave words of appreciation on behalf of the senior class for this act of honor and trust.

Dr. Player challenged the senior members of the community with words taken from Robert Frost's "The Road Not Taken." "Two roads diverged in a wood . . . I took the one less traveled by and that has made all the difference."

The robing was followed by the dedication of a magnolia tree to Mr. Garfield D. Merner. The dedication speech was given by Mrs. Jacquelyn Florance Meadows.

"A thing of beauty is a joy forever" was Mrs. Meadows' concluding statement as she spread the first shovel of soil on the tree which will serve as a living tribute to Mr. Garfield D. Merner. Joyce Kilmer's "Trees" was sung by the senior class ensemble. Rev. Corry then spoke the benediction.

Dr. McKinney Is President

Dr. E. Doris McKinney of Bennett College was elected president of the Women's Sports Day Association at the annual Winter Sports Day held at Bennett on Friday, Feb. 23.

She succeeds Miss Florence Mitchell of Livingstone College, Salisbury. Other officers chosen were Mrs. Geneva Wells, of Hampton (Va.) Institute, vice president; Mrs. Ruby Addison of South Carolina State College, secretary, and Mrs. Willa Lewis, of North Carolina College, treasurer.

Virginia State College at Petersburg, Va., was chosen as the site for the winter Sports Day in 1963.



The 40-voice women's choir of Bennett College will sing three groups of numbers at the public meeting of the national convocation of the presidents of the United Negro College Fund institutions at the Syria Mosque in Pittsburgh, Pa., on Sunday, April 1.

The singers, directed by Miss Charlotte Alston, have been hailed as one of the best balanced singing groups of its kind in college music circles. The choir's repertoire includes religious and secular music, folk music and the traditional spirituals.

The choir, which has appeared twice before the General Conference of the Methodist Church, has numbered among its directors some of the nation's foremost composers and arrangers, including the late Dr. R. Nathaniel Dett and Orrin Southern, II, noted organist.

Before going to Pittsburgh, the choir was presented in concert at the Sharp Street Methodist Church, Baltimore, Md., on Mar. 27 and at Tindley Temple in Philadelphia on March 28.

Following the Pittsburgh appearance, the group is scheduled to sing in Akron, Ohio; Detroit, Mich.; Chicago, Ill.; Indianapolis, Ind., and Cincinnati, Ohio, before returning to the college.

Seniors Lead Honor Roll For Past Term

A total of 108 students — one with a straight "A" average — are named on the Bennett College honor roll for the first semester according to a list released by Miss Mary L. Mayfield, registrar.

Miss Mary Frances Lane, an English major, of Mount Olive, N. C. is the student with the straight "A" average. There are 48 seniors on the list, 22 juniors, 20 sophomores and 18 freshman.

The complete list follows:

Freshmen

Mary E. Adams, Tupelo, Miss.; Julianah Ajani, Ibadan, Nigeria; Lila M. Alphonse, Panama, Republic de Panama; Jean P. Bailey, Hampton, Va.; Juliette I. Beaton, Savannah, Ga.; Judith C. Catlin, Chicago, Ill.; Patricia A. Corry, King Mountain, N. C.; Marthalia J. Dunn, Kinston, N. C.; Wilma L. Giles, Mt. Olive, N. C.

Velma Harris, Camden, N. J.; Paulette L. Hopkins, Miami, Fla.; Filomonia C. Jones, Freetown, Sierra Leone; Mary E. Lownes, Yanceyville, N. C.; Patricia L. Murray, Washington, D. C.;

(Continued on Page 4)

Omicron Eta Chi Plans N. Y. Tour

The Educational Tour to New York City sponsored by the Omicron Eta Chi will be held April 10-14.

The group will leave the campus via chartered bus. Reservations have been made at the Sheraton-Atlantic Hotel.

There is space for 10-12 additional persons from other groups to take the trip. The cost of transportation is twenty dollars (\$20) round trip per person. If you are interested contact Mrs. Streat as soon as possible.

NSF Institute Is Scheduled

For the fourth successive year, Bennett College will conduct a summer institute in mathematics and science for 60 high ability high school students, President Willa B. Player announced.

The institute, made possible by a grant of \$28,150 from the National Science Foundation of Washington, D. C., will extend for six weeks and will again be headed by Dr. J. Henry Sayles, chairman of the science division at the college. Dates for this year's institute are June 18 through July 27.

Courses in mathematics, biology, physics and chemistry will be offered by a select faculty to juniors and seniors who have demonstrated their qualifications for this intensive study.

Emphasis is being placed upon the opportunity for superior students to participate in special research projects in an accelerated study program.

Each participant accepted for the institute will receive a subsistence allowance covering books, school supplies, laboratory fees and field trips and health insurance. Financial assistance is available for highly qualified students who cannot pay all of their room and board expenses.

Camp Lejeune Has Announced Jobs

During the 1962-63 School Term, Camp Lejeune Dependents' Schools will have a need for the following additional teachers:

22 Elementary teachers (grade 1-6).

15 High School teachers in the subject matter areas of mathematics, science, English, and Latin.

2 Special education teachers (high school and elementary reading-retarded).

(Continued on Page 3)

Choir Heard At Morehouse

On the weekend of March 2, the Senior Concert Choir completed the exchange visitation with the Morehouse College Choir, Morehouse College, Atlanta, Ga. The Morehouse Choir visited Bennett last fall.

Sunday, March 4, the choir gave its annual concert to an overflowing audience. The choir under the direction of Miss Charlotte Alston gave renditions of classical and folk music including spirituals, in addition to other religious and secular music. A reception for the choir followed the concert.

Before departing, Monday, March 5, the choir sang jointly with the Morehouse College Choir at the morning chapel, Bach's "Magnificat."

Cornish Challenges Students To Become Like The Scientist

Rev. Howard Cornish, director of the Christian Center at Morgan State College, spoke in chapel on Sunday, March 18 at the regular vesper service. His sermon contained two major parts.

The first section was introduced by a quotation from the book, *The Hand of God*. "Men become like that which they love and the name of that is written on their brow."

In the second part Rev. Cornish noted that if one were able to relate the following qualities of a scientist to his daily life, he would be a true Christian. A scientist has the simplicity to wonder, the capacity to raise the right questions and the ability to generalize. The last and most important quality is the courage and power to apply.

SEE EDITORIALS PAGE 2