

IN RECEIVING LINE



Photographed in Receiving Line—President and Mrs. Harold L. Trigg at the reception to the Seniors, Alumni and Faculty at Elizabeth City State Teachers College.

President Trigg Thanks Alumni

During the past five years when war-time restrictions prevented a building program, it has been possible to concentrate on internal improvements. Such efforts have not been spectacular, but have provided vital equipment and services to the institution.

The Alumni of State Teachers College have been generous and courageous in their support of S. T. C.

It has been possible to add a 32 passenger bus, a concert-grand piano, new picture equipment, amplifying equipment, lights which illuminate the entire campus all night, a new curtain for the Auditorium stage, complete new equipment for the Beauty Parlor in Bias Hall; lights installed in the Y. W. C. A. Building, a growing set of volumes by, and about the Negro which constitutes the P. W. Moore collection of the Library. An additional item of instructional equipment of even greater importance has been the large amount of money contributed toward scholarships for worthy students and the generous pride and loyalty and good spirit which has grown apace in the entire Alumni Association. This good spirit has been contagious. It is being developed in members of the student body before they graduate.

I, personally wish to thank the Officers and Members of the Association for the many tangible evidences of their fine spirit. This News Letter, itself, is made possible in its present form by the generosity of the Association adding to the subscriptions of the students.

No six years in all of my experiences can compare with those that I have just completed here from the stand-point of sheer joy and satisfaction of seeing something worthwhile grow and grow and grow.

S. T. C. has a great future. It can be whatever you wish it to be with a continuation of the activity and interest which you are showing.

Sophomore Class Honors President and Mrs. Trigg

On President Trigg's birthday, December 15, 1945, the Sophomore Class presented to President and Mrs. Harold L. Trigg a pair of sterling silver candle-lamps in appreciation of their painstaking attention, of their respected judgment, and of their undying love and devotion to those who are connected with Elizabeth City State Teachers College.

This gift was presented in the hope that these lamps will beautify any foul object which might be encountered as they leave Elizabeth City on December 31, 1945. Bettie Sue Tyler, the president of the Sophomore Class, made the presentation.



THE PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

T/Sgt. Joseph W. North shows up un-expectantly at Fort Huachuca. The last time we had news of him he was shaking hands in Belgium morning and night.

Sgt. Felton has just been awarded the Purple Heart and a Battle Star. He deserves more than that for traveling from Europe to Manila on a non-stop trip. He is longing to be home again, and we hope his desires will be fulfilled soon.

Sgt. George Thomas Hedgespeth is still enthusiastic about his Unit. Incidentally, he takes a good picture, and I am happy to be the owner of two of these which I shall add to my collection of souvenirs. His unit has received a citation. This is very interesting to us because we knew that he had made a tremendous contribution to the success of this unit.

Chaplain Dewey Dockery, who is a S1/c is somewhere west of here. His address is Nave 919, Chaplain Dept., c/o Fleet Post Office, San Francisco, California. Incidentally, he has to lead 3,000 men in choral singing. We didn't even know he could sing.

Staff Sgt. Powell Woodson is still in Germany chasing points. He expects to be back soon.

Librarian Withdraws

Mrs. Mildred Cooper Hammond left her position as librarian to take up the duties of a housewife in Phoebus, Va. Mrs. Hammond is the daughter of Professor William Cooper, Hampton Institute.

Bishop Wright Speaker Here

During the regular assembly, on Monday morning, November 26, the Rt. Reverend Thomas H. Wright, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Eastern North Carolina Protestant Episcopal Church, addressed the student body here.

Bishop Wright followed the precedent set by Bishop Thomas C. Darst who always made a special visit to the college while in Elizabeth City.

In the outset, Bishop Wright had his hearers understand that religion and education are not distinct phases of life but are closely bound. He pointed to the fact that we should come to college to seek three things: an understanding of life, a fullness of life, and a standard for life. And in order to lead our lives on the paths which He has chartered for us, we must listen as God speaks to us. "God speaks to us in many ways," he says. He finally advised his hearers to seek an understanding of life and seek Jesus Christ.

Bishop Wright is a native of North Carolina and has received most of his training in this State.

Bishop Wright has recently written to President Harold L. Trigg to congratulate him upon his appointment to the American Church Institute for Negroes, a National Organization which meets four times a year in New York City.

VISITOR—

Professor William Cooper, Director of Extension and Summer School at Hampton Institute, Hampton, Virginia was a recent visitor. Professor Cooper addressed the student body at Chapel hour.

Trigg, Williams Get Key Posts In Southern Council

At the Annual Meeting of the Southern Regional Council, held in Atlanta, Georgia, Dr. Harold L. Trigg, President of Elizabeth City State Teachers College, was elected Associate Executive Director of the Council to succeed Dr. Ira de A. Reid, the resigned. Dr. Guy B. Johnson, formerly of the University of North Carolina, continues in the office of Director.

Paul Williams, Prominent Catholic Layman of Richmond, was elected President of the Council, succeeding Dr. Howard W. Odum, also of the University of North Carolina.

Dr. Trigg received the A. B. Degree at Morgan State College, the M. A. from Syracuse University, and has done extensive graduate study at Teachers College, Columbia University. He has an honorary Doctor of Education Degree from Morgan State College.

Dr. Trigg's varied experiences include his service as teacher at Bennett College, New Orleans University and Winston-Salem Teachers College. He was elected president of Elizabeth City State Teachers College in 1939, after serving as Supervisor of Negro High Schools of North Carolina for 11 years. He also served with the U. S. Office of Education in 1936-37 as Associate Director of the National Survey of Vocational Education and Guidance for Negroes.

Dr. Trigg has served as president of the North Carolina Teachers Association; past president of the North Carolina Negro College Conference; Vice-president, North Carolina Commission on Interracial Cooperation; member of the Board of Directors, North Carolina Council of Churches; member of the Advisory Board, North Carolina Correctional Institutions and

member of the North Carolina Conference of Social Workers.

Dr. Trigg, who is a member of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, married Miss Geraldine Loeta Nelson, of Savannah, Georgia, who is a graduate of Wilberforce University. They have three children.

Young Artist Gives Brilliant Concert At STC

Robert Elliott, a young violin virtuoso, who began his study of violin under Mrs. Minnie Nash, a teacher in the Elizabeth City school system, returned to State Teachers College on Friday Night, December 7, and gave his audience a concert unequalled in technical virtuosity as compared with any of the other instrumental concerts heard at this institution.

Mr. Elliott was heard by an appreciative audience of college students, as well as a group of white visitors. Among the group was Mrs. Minnie Nash, young Elliott's first teacher.

Mr. Elliott performed a concert of unusual technical difficulty and demonstrated that the two years of concert playing since he was last heard in a performance at State Teachers College, have further improved his unusual technique. He reached his height for his listeners in Bach's Chaconne which the program listed as the last movement of Bach's Concerto for Violin in D Minor.

Joseph Stephan, Elliott's unusually accomplished accompanist, performed in a dimmed light that require the use of candles and flashlight for illumination.