

THE WHISTLER

He came in the night piercing the stillness with his clear, strong tone. It refreshed me, for I had been up rather late completing some assignments and had begun to grow tired and sleepy. Except for the occasional passing of a car or a "crack" of the furniture, everything around was quiet. In such stillness the whistler seemed a friend who had come to keep me company.

"I Am Waiting Just For You" was the tune that gradually grew fainter and fainter as he pursued his way. But long after he had passed, I was still trying to decide what experience had brought him along a seemingly deserted route at that hour of the night. Finally, I concluded there was a girl not far away.

Time has proved that I was right. He passed every two or three nights during the week with that same tone breaking the silence, at the same hour of the night.

We became well acquainted, and on certain nights I expected him. He was always on time. The song was the same. In vain I tried to draw some conclusions, so I imagined.

Then there came a change. For several nights he did not come "What happened?" I asked.

Puzzled, I related the story to a friend of mine. She admitted that she also had been attracted. I was amazed. Together we began to think of possible reasons why he had not been heard.

It has been cold. Yes, but he had passed in more severe weather. Perhaps he got a ride home with a friend. He may have a new car. "He has probably broken with his girl," concluded my friend.

But I could imagine nothing of the kind, for his whistling was so expressive, so much like that of one in love. But what is love? Well, I gave up.

Then it came one night — out of nowhere. The evidence was there to speak for itself. Overjoyed, I yelled to my friend, "It's him again!" This time it was the "Tennessee Waltz". We were both excited. The reason is inexplicable. Gee—whiz—gosh sakes! I whispered to myself, "The return of the whistler."

Although he has not been heard recently, he is remembered. I have an imaginary picture of him. We should have looked out of the window. How foolish! That will be the next step.

Now, the whistler seems the man who isn't there. My friend and I have often wondered what it would be like to meet him. We still ask ourselves, "Will the whistler fade away as mysteriously as he came into being?"

—Myrtle Borden Hill

**QUALITY
PHOTO FINISHING
59c**

Prints promptly returned in a protective plastic-bound album

LOUIS SELIG
Photographic Department
Elizabeth City's ONLY Authorized
Kodak Dealer

Editors News and Views

During the last month, the college has sent many delegations to conferences of major importance. Among these were the Homemaking Institute, held at Bennett College; the North Carolina Teachers Association, in Raleigh and the Columbia Scholastic Press Association (Teachers College Division) held at Columbia University. Members of the delegations shared their experiences with the student body in assembly meetings after returning to the campus. This procedure should continue because of its overall value.

The full page feature article found recently in one of the daily newspapers reflects the progress in effect at our school. I am quite sure that most of the people of the community had no idea that the college was growing as fast as the paper indicated. The growth of our school points out the strongness of our purpose.

I am sure that most students have noticed the blooms on some of the recently acquired cherry trees. It probably won't be long before we will be competing with Washington's Tidal Basin. The central mall affords a wonderful setting for annual tree planting exercises that would further indicate our loyalty to the school. This writer does not know what future plans have been made for the mall, but most likely there will be space for such a venture.

President Truman, ex-editor of The Gleam, the newspaper of the Independence, Mo., High School, warned journalists at the Columbia Scholastic Press Conference to be careful lest they "end up in the White House." After many of the recent developments, I don't think that many of the editors present envied Mr. Truman very much.

With a choice variety of numbers, the Virginia State College traveling band thrilled a large audience in Moore Auditorium recently. The conductor, F. Nathaniel Gatlin, proved once again that he is master in his field. His band's performance of two movements from Tschaiowsky's 6th Symphony was acclaimed by many as the climax of the program.

TRIBUTE

(Continued from page 5)

your ears to hear and for your consciences to repeat.

In the end, something went wrong. It was definitely beyond our jurisdiction. I do not blame you. But you were robbed of the opportunity to receive any tangible rewards for service rendered. Even though you feel that vengeance should be yours, remember that vengeance comes in its own way, at its own appointed time.

State Teachers College basketball season was a success regardless of all that you withstood. I am proud of you, and I am looking forward to seeing you on the "hardwood" again next season with the same spirit and will-to-win that you possessed when you opened the past campaign. Do not despair. "Stop, rest, meditate, but don't quit."

Isaac Battle

**SUPPORT
THE BAND
UNIFORM DRIVE**

ANNA-LU FLORIST

"If it can be done with flowers . . . we can do it"

Flowers by Wire Anywhere

Phone 4373

Westover Blvd. Elizabeth City

The Apothecary Shop

Your REXAL Store

Phone 4327

406 E. Main Street Elizabeth City

CADER HARRIS & SON

Red Goose Shoes

CROWN AND HEADLIGHT WORK CLOTHES

Phone 4495

Corner Church and Market Sts.

Elizabeth City, N. C.

Debate News

The National Collegiate topic—Resolved, That the Federal Government should adopt a permanent program of wage and price control—was debated here on March 27, when the Negative Team of the Norfolk Division of Virginia State College met the Affirmative Team of Elizabeth City State Teachers College. The timely subject was thoroughly discussed by both sides. Each team enthusiastically presented their arguments.

Students upholding the affirmative contention were Nina B. Richardson, Nina C. Perry, and George L. Brown, while the negative contention was upheld by Ruth Laws, W. Eugene Selby, and Miss McKee.

On April 8, the Negative Team of Elizabeth City debated Norfolk Division there. Naomi Williams was first negative speaker for the Elizabeth City team. Others were Nina C. Perry, and George Brown. Nina Richardson acted as chaperon.

The welcome extended by Norfolk was most cordial, and the Elizabeth City debaters enjoyed their brief stay on the campus of the Norfolk Division of Virginia State College. The students were friendly, the sponsors cooperative, and a general atmosphere of good will prevailed.

This debate, like the one of March 27, was non-decisional.

—Nina C. Perry



LISTEN

TO

W

G

A

I

560 ON YOUR DIAL

— ABC —

Tops in Music, News and Sports