

New Women's Dorm To Open Friday

Annals of SG, Congress Viewed

By Willie Hall

The often-criticized 1959-60 Student Government of North Carolina College promises to enjoy one of the best administrative years that this College has seen. This year's SG, led by Robert Kornegay, has evidenced its administrative talents by making many accomplishments and by formulating some worthwhile plans for the future.

One accomplishment was the well-planned 1959 Homecoming. The Homecoming was highlighted by an august coronation of Miss North Carolina College, a dawn dance, and a parade. Although the SG was operating on a low budget, it managed to pull off a colorful ball which received the acclaim of many. Another sign of progress was the reinstatement of the Student Supreme Court, which, as SG Vice President Leonard DeShields puts it, should eliminate the "Down with the Student Welfare Committee" cries often heard on the campus. Two notable SG accomplishments, which probably did not get the attention of the student body, occurred before Christmas. One was the SG's playing of Handel's *Messiah* in stereophonic hi-fidelity sound in the dining hall; the other, the opening of the library on Sundays.

In a report to the student body in upperclassmen's assem-

bly, Monday, January 11, DeShields gave the student body an idea of what to expect from the SG in 1960. He said that the financial returns of the 1959 movie series were disappointing, but the large turn-out for "Picnic" proved that a student-supported movie series could be successful. He also stated that the SG would make efforts to interest students in attending the movies by showing numerous free movies and by improving the caliber of the selections shown.

Several future plans of the SG are not definite but, nevertheless, look very promising. The SG is presently engaged in communicating with jazz artists Chico Hamilton, Lionel Hamilton and Ahmad Jamal, and it expects to book these artists for spring dates. The SG is also communicating with several insurance companies about obtaining a student insurance plan for students here. If this goal is realized, it will give NCC students an economical insurance plan similar to those used in most high schools. The long-awaited book rental system, which the SG promised, has not been forgotten and the Ways and Means Committee is considering the effecting of this system. One plan of the SG, which should add another trophy to NCC's "prestige cabinet," will be the Student Government President's Conference, in which Student Government presidents

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March 18 To Be Commerce Day

Plans are underway for the ninth annual Commerce Day program to be held on Friday, March 18, 1960. Proposed activities were discussed by the C. T. Willis Commerce Club on Thursday night, January 14 in the auditorium of the Commerce Building. Last year's major speaker was Dr. Helen Edmonds, NCC professor of history. The speaker for this year is to be announced later.

This gala affair usually attracts some 1,000 or more high school students from throughout the state of North Carolina.

Some of the features are forum speakers, business machine demonstrations, campus tours, a luncheon in the college cafeteria, the state typing contest for high school students, and a tour of various businesses in Durham, including the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company.

Among the activities of the Commerce Day Program will be a dance for the student body and their guests in the Women's Gymnasium.

The Commerce Club and the department will institute career clinics for high school students. Emphasis for this observance will be "Collegiate Training for Business Careers." Mr. E. M. Strayhorne is chairman of the Commerce Day Program.



Dr. Ila Blue

English Professor Receives Ph.D.

Miss Ila J. Blue, assistant professor of English here, was awarded the Ph.D. in English by the University of Michigan on January 16, 1960. Her dissertation title was *A Study of Literary Criticism by Some Negro Authors, 1900-55*. She received her A.B. and M.A. degrees in English from NCC, and joined the faculty here in 1945. Three years later Miss Blue entered graduate school at the University of Michigan to begin her work toward the doctorate:



The Westminster Choir

Westminster Choir Here Feb. 18

The world-famous Westminster Choir will be presented in concert at B. N. Duke Auditorium on Thursday, February 18, at 8:15 p.m. The group, consisting of 40 voices, is the touring concert unit of Westminster Choir College in Princeton, N. J.

The Choir was organized in 1921 by Dr. John Finley Williamson, who was its conductor for 37 years. Harold Hedgpeth, the successor to Dr. Williamson and the present conductor, is a graduate of Westminster Choir College and was a member of Westminster Choir for four years. Mr. Hedgpeth has been associated with the college since 1934 as a member of the voice and conducting faculty. Since 1950 he has been the conductor of the Chapel Choir of the college.

The Westminster Choir has appeared throughout the world,

from one end of the United States to the other, in Canada, Cuba, many of the countries of Europe, and the Near and Far East. It has gained an additional audience through its radio and television appearances and its recordings. The Choir has received excellent reviews on its recent tours.

In the concert here, one can expect the wide range of music the Choir is noted for. The program will range from the choral classics of Palestrina, Victoria, and Schubert to Negro spirituals, modern light classics and music of contemporary composers.

Among the Negro spirituals, the Choir will sing a version of "Roll Jordan, Roll" arranged by Miss Ruth Gilliam, a faculty member of the North Carolina College music department.

Students Attend Ecumenical Meet

By Florence Wells

Trains, buses, cars, and planes poured 3,609 students from 78 nations into Athens, Ohio, at dawn on December 27, 1959 to attend the eighteenth Ecumenical Student Conference on the Christian World Mission. After days of sleepless traveling, students dressed in their native costumes entered into conference. Asia had the largest foreign representation with 397 delegates and Canada the second largest with 165. Russia had 80 representatives. Three North Carolina College students were among those who attended. They were Oxynenia Hughley, John Brown, and Florence Wells.

Top religious leaders, men and women who serve their churches abroad and in the states, were presented. Men like Martin Luther King, Bola Ige, Dr. Kermit Eby, Dr. M. Richard Shaul, The Rev. Harry Daniel and others provoked the thoughts and comments of the delegates. Dr. Lesslie Newbigin, General Secretary of the International Missionary Council, was the leader of the conference through the Biblical exposition each morning.

Martin Luther King had to be smuggled out of a racial tensions

forum for a nap, because his audience did not want to let him go. He was the only speaker that the group of 3,609 gave a standing ovation; the applause lasted six minutes.

Bola Ige, a Nigerian student leader, and Overseas Secretary for the eighteenth Ecumenical Student Conference on the Christian World Mission, gave his major address on the massive thrust of African Nationalism that will sweep away the last vestiges of colonialism. He termed the Bible as a most explosive document because of its teachings about man and God, and asserted that the Bible helped substantially to undercut the whole basis of imperialism. Bola Ige said that the Africans want to be and will become masters of their own homes and that they will get rid of economic imperialism.

Kermit Eby, professor of social science at the University of Chicago and former director of education and research for the C.I.O., gave the major address for the group forums on technological advances, capital accumulation without the "forced treat" methods of communism, and the creation of full employment without war or the preparation for war.

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Houses Over 200

Two-hundred junior and senior women are scheduled to move into the new dormitory located on the corner of Lawson and Lincoln Streets on January 29 and 30, 1960. The three-story structure with its six wings is valued at a half million dollars.

Each of the 100 bedrooms has double accommodations including built-in beds with inner-spring mattresses; two closets and storage shelves; two sets of bookcases, lamps and desks; two chests of drawers, and bulletin boards. The color scheme for the bedrooms varies from wine with melon green, to Caribbean blue with rose, and blue spruce with chalk pink.

There is a first-floor recreation room and a second-floor lounge. Tower areas connecting each wing will be set up as lounging sections with book cases, television sets, and radios. The color schemes of the areas are Delft blue, Swedish red, and bone white.

Among other provisions are coat rooms and smoking facilities for men visitors. Accessories still to arrive include rugs, draperies, a piano and tables for some portions of the building.

The dormitory has not yet been named. Dedication ceremonies are set for March 5, 1960.

The structure, begun in the latter part of June, 1959, will have Mrs. Beatrice Brown as its directress. She is currently in her second year as the residence directress of Senior Dormitory.

Mrs. Brown served in such capacity at Bowie State Teachers College (now Maryland State Teachers College), Bowie, Maryland; Bluefield State College, Bluefield, West Virginia, where she later became Associate Dean of Women; Howard University, Washington, D. C., and Tuskegee Institute, Alabama. In addition to residence hall direction, Mrs. Brown has served on the faculty at Bowie State Teachers College and at Tuskegee Institute.

Dr. Berrian To Study in Guinea

Dr. Albert Berrian, head of the Department of Romance Languages, is leaving for Guinea, West Africa on February 1, 1960 to record the major dialects and to take pictures of the daily life of the country. This project is with reference to establishing a Guinea Institute at NCC, beginning in the summer of 1960.

The program is under the auspices of the Guinea government, American Society of African Culture, and North Carolina College. Dr. Berrian is director of the program and Mr. Herman Hudson of the Department of Romance Languages is serving as consultant.

The purpose of the Institute will be to prepare English teachers for giving professional service to Guinea. Currently,

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