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North Carolina College at Durham students who were active in sit-in demonstrations last year received the congratulations of the Reverend Ralph Abernathy, who spoke at the College this week on behalf of the Student Government Association. Rev. Abernathy, above, goes over "non-violent strategy" with student leaders: George Dunn, Kinston, N. C.; Guytanna Horton, Pittsboro, N. C.; Doris Davis, Charlotte, N. C., and Donnie McNeill, Durham, N. C.

High Schools Join Association

Forty high schools in North Carolina and Virginia joined Southeastern Scholastic Publications Association in the November-December membership drive, it was announced at North Carolina College today.

SSPA is an organization for high school journalists working on newspapers and yearbooks. It has headquarters at North Carolina College.

The organization offers expert advice on publication problems, publishes a periodical devoted to problems and activities among high school journalists, studies and disseminates information on vocational opportunities, and sponsors an annual meeting at North Carolina College.

This year's meeting has been set for April 7 and is expected to attract over 500 students and teachers from high schools in North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia.

Mrs. Ruth Tillman of Person County Training School is president of SSPA. H. G. Dawson, director of the News Bureau at North Carolina College, is executive secretary.

High schools joining SSPA in the latest membership drive include: Adkin High, Kinston; Berry O'Kelly High, Method; Booker T. Washington High, Rocky Mount; Brawley High, Scotland Neck; Camp High, Shelby; George Washington Carver High, Pinetops; Central High, Gatesville; R. A. Clement High, Cleveland; Conetoe High, Conetoe; W. S. Creecy High, Rich Square; Frink High, LaGrange; J. H. Hayswood High, Lumberton; Henderson Institute, Henderson; Hillside High, Durham; Inborden High, Enfield; P. S. Jones High, Washington; Ligon High, Raleigh; Lincoln High, Chapel Hill; Little River High, Bahama; Mary Potter High, Oxford; Merrick-Moore High, Durham; Monroe Avenue High, Hamlet; P. W. Moore Junior-Senior High, Elizabeth City; North Warren High, Wise; Person County High, Roxboro; Pitt County Training, Grimesland; Pleasant Grove High, Dunn; W. H. Robinson High, Winterville; Second Ward High, Charlotte; Shawtown High, Lillington; Springfield High, Lucama; H. B. Sugg

High, Farmville; R. L. Vann High, Ahoskie; West Charlotte Senior High, Charlotte; West End High, Clarksville, Va.; J. A. Whitted Junior High, Durham.

Coeds To Study In Quebec City

Two North Carolina College co-eds have been selected to study French during the summer session at L'Université Laval in Quebec City, Canada. The students, Betty Barnes and Mary Alice Williamson, were chosen because of their more-than-ordinary interest in French and their diligent studies beyond the classroom.

Miss Barnes is a junior psychology major with a French minor who hails from Weldon, North Carolina. Miss Williamson, a junior music major, is a native of Clinton, North Carolina. She expects to have accumulated enough hours to have a major in French as well.

The grant was made to these students through Dr. George A. Reynolds, an alumnus of Laval, by the Director of the Summer School, Monseigneur Alphones-Marie Parent.

Miss Barnes and Miss Williamson will be studying in a French university in an entirely French atmosphere.

French Professor At AU for Summer

Dr. George A. Reynolds, professor of French at NCC has been extended an invitation to teach in the 1961 session of the Atlanta University Summer School. He will be expected to teach three sessions in French beginning June 12, 1961.

An article by Dr. Reynolds, "Montesquieu: Quelques idées sur l'influence exercée par le climat sur la religion," is scheduled to appear in the March, 1961 issue of the *College Language Association Journal*.

Manager Declines Comment

Rev. Abernathy Urges Peaceful Demonstrations

An Alabama minister, speaking at North Carolina College recently, urged continued sit-in demonstrations and intensified economic boycotts as weapons by Southern Negroes in the fight for integration.

Rev. Ralph Abernathy, who succeeded Dr. Martin Luther King as president of the Montgomery Improvement Association, spoke before a mixed audience of students and townspeople on behalf of the NCC Student Government Association.

"Not only must we sit-in", Abernathy said, "but we must stand-in, wade-in, and kneel-in until we can walk-in as first class American citizens."

The young minister, who is pastor of Montgomery's First Baptist Church, congratulated the NCC students for their demonstrations of the past year. He said, however, that "the struggle must continue, especially in employment where no dent has been made."

"We must launch a nationwide program of non-cooperation with the evil system of segregation," Abernathy continued, "We must not spend our money in any store where our dollars are respected and our persons disrespected. We must not spend in places where we cannot earn."

Using as his subject, "Building a Democratic Civilization Amidst World Tensions, Frustration, and Fears," the visiting cleric traced the history of racial segregation from the 1850's.

In the early days, he said, Negroes used "deceptive weapons," speaking what they thought others wanted them to say, and in a manner thought to be required of them.

As a result, he continued, the Southern politician came to feel that only a few "agitators" were

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Protest Leader Heads NAACP

Callis N. Brown, sit-in protest leader, has resigned from his post in the Student Government to serve as president of the local chapter of the NAACP.

The former Commissioner of Student Affairs revealed his decision in an interview with Echo reporters shortly after the NAACP election which ruled him president. Said Brown, "Because of my rigid schedule I feel that I should devote most of my time to the study of law and the functions of the NAACP. This way I should be able to do a much better job as president of the group."

The incumbent stated further that this move is in no way connected with the activities of the publishers of the "Eagle's Eye", a paper designed to unseat SG president, Lacy Streeter.

Commerce Day Slated for March

The Department of Commercial Education at North Carolina College is in the process of preparing for the Tenth Commerce Day, March 17, 1961.

The purpose of this activity is to bring the high school and interested college students to the campus to share with them the advances of the field of commerce.

Some of the main activities will be machine demonstrations, a tour of campus, an outstanding speaker (not known as yet), and the annual State Typing Contest. The State Typing Contests are constituted by three divisions according to number of semesters a student has taken typing. The contests are for interested high school and college students.

Approximately 1,000 students

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Demonstration Against Movie Houses Begins

"I don't have no comment", replied Crawford, the manager of the Carolina theater as he watched the three sign-bearers marching in front of the entrance.

The executive, red-faced and affecting a grim though superficial composure, refused to identify the owner of the concern or to comment on the box-office effect of the protest against the theater's segregation policy.

High school and college students began picketing the Center and Carolina theaters a week ago. Since then, the Center has closed the "colored" section but no indication of desegregation in the "white" section has evolved. The Carolina has closed neither section.

Echo reporters were further humiliated by Crawford's requiring them to wait in the "colored" section for an interview. The lobby had already begun to accumulate dust because of disuse, although it is still open for business.

At the Center theater reporters were met by a genial, cooperative man named Lewis, who identifies himself as the manager. Lewis held that public feeling in Durham is opposed to desegregated movie facilities; therefore, any such move would hurt his business. As to how his personal feelings are with respect to desegregation, the manager declined comment. Lewis said that his policy was to provide a clean, decent place for his customers, white and black.

Since the protest was apparently a "secret" movement, few NCC students were aware that it was in progress. The leaders, if any, of the protest (from the NCC campus) could not be reached for comment. The manager of the Center theater declared that no one had negotiated the matter with him.

Students Protest "Alcatraz" Exam

Students of Dramatic Art 100 are floating a petition denouncing the final exam, which has been called unreasonable and even childish.

The exam was given in B. N. Duke auditorium with about 200 students participating.

Among the many outcries were complaints that the test was poorly constructed, the directions vague and confusing, and there were enough proctors on hand to staff a prison. The proctors included the Dean of Men, and also the head of the music department.

When last seen, the petition contained over 100 signatures. Although the grades had not yet been posted, most of the students feel that the results can in no manner accurately judge the student's knowledge.

Miss Mary L. Bohanon is the head of the Drama Department.



These actors and actresses are seen in a scene from "Carmen" an English production of the Italian opera. This opera will be presented here in the B. N. Duke Auditorium by members of the National Opera Company on February 8.