

## THE COLLEGE CHOIR



The camera man caught the College Choir on the rostrum in Smith Auditorium ready for the presentation of their Christmas Cantata — "The Christ Child."

### Activities Of The College Choir

As in past years the college choir under the direction of Mr. George Van Hoy Collins, has been active through the present school year. The group has given several broadcasts over the local radio station. Invitations have been received to sing at the Fayetteville High School and at the Service Club at Fort Bragg. A local chapter of the Zeta Sorority has invited the group to sing on their program to be given in the College auditorium Sunday, February 20, 1949.

During Negro History Week, February 7-11, the choir gave a program over the local broadcasting station and an assembly program made up of music by outstanding Negro composers.

Last term the choir sang on the C. B. S. Network in a nation wide hook up for four consecutive Sundays on the spot formerly held by the "Wings Over Jordan" Choir. Letters and cards of congratulation were received in abundance praising the group's fine work.

The local choir will present to Fayetteville music lovers the following choirs during the school term: the Morgan State College Choir, the A. and T. College Choir, and the Choir from Johnson C. Smith University. While attending summer school in New

### GEORGE ROYAL PASSES

Students and faculty alike were saddened by the recent passing of Mr. George W. Royal who gave years of faithful and dependable service as nightwatchman at the College. Mr. Royal died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Beulah Newman of 429 Barges Lane in Fayetteville, and was buried at his home in Clinton, North Carolina.

Commenting on his loyalty and his usefulness to the College, President J. W. Seabrook said: "He was a man who believed in the right and maintained keen interest in the welfare of all those living on our College campus. He also took a fatherly and brotherly interest in the students and encouraged them to behave themselves in a becoming manner."

### Second Milers

Unusually helpful as typist and as copyists for the present issue of the "Voice" were Mrs. Veatrice Davis, Miss Ethel Taylor and Misses Elloree Cunningham, Annie Witherspoon, Evelyn Joyner and Bernice Sellers. Through this column, the staff says "thanks".

York City last summer, the director, Mr. Collins, had a successful audition for membership in the "Collegiate Choral."

### DRAMA GUILD

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which they presented the play, the morning session was adjourned.

Following lunch, a business session was held by the directors of the North Carolina High School Drama Association. The afternoon session was given over to readings and demonstrations of the various phases of dramatics, such as movement, scenery, make-up, emotions in acting, and so on. Between sessions the Y. W. C. A. was "at home" to the visitors.

Returning for the third session at 7:30 p. m., the visitors and students of Fayetteville State Teachers College were entertained by the Thespians of North Carolina College in a highly-finished production, "Death Takes a Holiday". This is a three-act drama by Alberta Cassella; it was rewritten for the American stage by Walter Ferris.

Thirty two schools of Eastern Carolina were represented at the clinic. Mrs. E. L. Thomas, President of the Intercollegiate Drama Association and director of dramatics at Shaw University is the Executive Secretary of the Association. Mr. James E. Purcell is President of the local group and Miss Lois P. Turner is director of dramatics.

### Liberian Student To Register At "State"

Miss Beatrice Williams of the College of West Africa in Monrovia, Liberia is en route to this country and will matriculate at "State" probably by the beginning of the spring quarter. Miss Williams can be sure that she will receive a warm reception when she arrives at Fayetteville State Teachers College.

### New York Alumni Club Establishes Scholarships

The Alumni Club of New York City, perhaps one of the strongest "State" Clubs in the country, recently established at the College two fifty dollar cash scholarships for deserving and promising students.

In a letter to Dr. Seabrook dated December 16, 1948, Mr. Frank Baldwin, Business Manager of the club, said in part, "On behalf of the entire New York Chapter, I would like to take the opportunity at this time to wish you even greater success and continued growth at Fayetteville State Teachers College. We are always interested in the school and its progress. Any information you send us will always be appreciated."

Officers of the club are Mr. Edward P. Hicks, President, Mr. Lonnie A. Corbett Vice President, Mr. Frank Baldwin, Business Manager, and Miss Gladys P. Hicks, Secretary. The staff offers its "thank you" to this pioneering New York Alumni Club.

### George Hicks Heads Campus Sunday School

With Miss Minetta Hunter of the Department of English as faculty sponsor and Mr. George Hicks, Junior, of Scottsburg, Virginia as Superintendent, the College Sunday School is in full swing. Other officers for the current winter quarter are Bernard Davis, Assistant Superintendent; George Johnson, Treasurer, Cornelius Williams, Assistant Treasurer; Josephine Mann, Secretary and Colethia Faison, Assistant Secretary.

Recently the Sunday School contributed \$25.00 to the Oxford Orphanage and sent two of its members, Mr. George Johnson and Mr. Henry C. Jones, to Raleigh to attend a youth conference.