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BUDGET COMMISSION RECEIVES REQUEST

PRESIDENT INCLUDES STUDENT UNION

Dr. S. D. Williams, president of Elizabeth City State Teachers College, requested appropriations totaling more than one and one-half millions from North Carolina State Advisory Budget Commission to provide for many of our present needs

Included in the estimate are a student union building, girls' dormitory, residence hall for single teachers, swimming pool, lights for the athletic field, \$100,000 for land, new staff members, and an increase in the operating budget.

This annual request does not mean that the buildings will be erected immediately. The North Carolina General Assembly must act upon the request and the results may not be known until next spring.

"CARMEN JONES" TO BE PRESENTED HERE

On Wednesday, December 3, 1952, a concert version of "Carmen Jones" will be presented in Moore Auditorium featuring Miss Muriel Rahn.

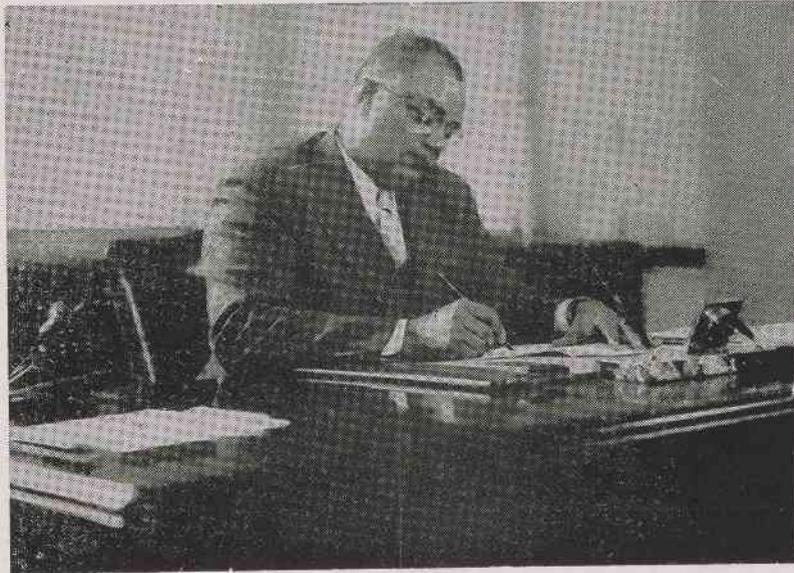
This two-hour concert version of "Carmen Jones", the famous Oscar Hammerstein adaptation of the Bizet opera "Carmen", contains all the songs, dialogue, drama, action, comedy and satire of the original Billy Rose production as presented on Broadway, and features a company of ten members wearing colorful costumes.

Muriel Rahn, soprano, is foremost among the young American artists of today. Versatile to an amazing degree, she was the original 'Carmen' of "Carmen Jones" playing 134 performances on Broadway, has sung the title role in "Aida" with San Carlo, Salmaggi and National Negro Opera Companies, has appeared with top-ranking Symphony orchestras as soloist, and as recitalist in the leading concert halls of the nation with three New York Town Hall recitals to her credit. During the 1950-51 season she sang the leading role in "The Barrier", a modern opera produced on Broadway, in which she was co-starred with the great American baritone of the Metropolitan Opera, Lawrence Tibbett.

STUDENTS ADVISED TO SUBMIT SSCQT APPLICATIONS NOW

Applications for the December 4, 1952 and the April 23, 1953 administrations of the College Qualification Test are now available at Selective Service System local boards throughout the country.

Eligible students who intend to of-
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DR. S. D. WILLIAMS

FOR FRESHMEN

No doubt the Freshman year on a college campus is one of trial and error, a period of getting used to new people and perplexing events and a strange place. Challenges are proposed not only from instructors, but second year students as well. To end where one started is the last word in total failure. One does not have to back track, lose time, be embarrassed. "ad infinitum", if he is sure of doing the right thing.

Here are a few pointers in that direction. In public places do not actually say what you usually do in private. Think ahead of what you intend to say because people make a point of interest to observe you when you do not know it. This can mean the difference between a person's admiration for or indifference to you.

Learn to control your temper under all circumstances. Do not base a conclusion on anything but proof. Cultivate a manner of address to win the respect of all with whom you expect to come in contact. Be a student of human nature and imagine how people will respond to certain actions of which you know there is general disapproval.

Whatever you plan to do, whether it is in football or in a study which you hate—never give up. Never surrender to the idea that success is impossible. Be sure you are right before you go ahead; it is better to abandon a theory or hobby than to make a failure of it. Temperance in habits and language marks you as a student of culture. Extravagance adds student of culture.

Extravagance adds nothing to necessity. Always remember that you do not know it all and that you are in college to cultivate the habit of learning from others without expoin-

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HONOR GRADUATES GET GOOD POSITIONS

The students graduating With Honor in 1952 have received good positions, according to information released by Dean Wendell P. Jones who has general charge of the placement of graduates.

Ten students in last year's class were graduated With Honor. Eight of these are employed as follows:

Velma B. Wall, Teacher-Librarian, W. S. Creecy High School, Rich Square, North Carolina.

George E. Clarke, Teacher-Coach, Carver High School, Kannapolis, North Carolina.

William Jefferson, Group Supervisor, Government Airplane Factory, Southampton, New York.

Bennie Williams, Harrison School, Selma, North Carolina.

Mary E. Albritton, Carter G. Woodson Elementary School, Crisfield, Maryland.

Roxie E. Lowe, Edenton High School, Edenton, North Carolina.

Thelma L. Balmer, Coates High School, Seaboard, North Carolina.

Ruby C. Lyons, Edenton High School, Edenton, North Carolina.

Reports on Mattie R. Welch and Tryckateen A. B. Jones had not been received at press time.

Dean Jones has assured the Newsletter that a complete report on the Class of 1952 will be available for release in an early edition of the paper.

COMMUNITY LEADERS WELCOME STUDENTS

Several distinguished citizens of Elizabeth City spoke at the first formal assembly on September 19.

The honorable G. R. Little, chairman of Elizabeth City State Teachers College Board of Trustees, opened the
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SIX DAY ORIENTATION PROGRAM FOR FRESHMEN

Entering Freshmen this year were introduced to college life through a six-day program pre-arranged for them. President Williams, in his address to the Freshmen on Friday, September 12, told them of the importance of the four years ahead and challenged them to get the most out of college.

Highlights of the orientation program included meetings with the Dean of Men and Dean of Women, a picnic supper in the college grove, a Talent Night program, and a reception given by President and Mrs. Williams on their lawn.

The entire Freshmen class presented a beautiful candlelight service on the steps of the Fine Arts and Physical Education Building, Sunday, September 20. President Williams was the guest speaker and Seniors Doris Flood, Rosa Ebron, and Charles Boone assisted.

Several days were spent in taking a series of tests which will be used to facilitate the instruction of Freshmen. These included English Placement Tests, Mathematics Proficiency Tests, a reading test, personality inventory, and mental maturity test. All Freshmen also underwent a thorough medical examination.

A group of seniors introduced the students to extra-class activities in a special program. In two sessions, Dean Jones discussed the curriculum pattern and general academic regulations.

Tuesday and Wednesday, September 16 and 17, were used to complete registration and classes began on the following Thursday.

Several faculty members worked to make the orientation program a success. Seniors serving as assistants were Winnie Durante, Rosa Ebron, Doris Flood, Elsie Miller, Vernon Randall, Reginald Rhoe, Carroll Rodgers, Roland Bowser, Gilbert Cardle and Atlas Davis.

DR. W.W.FINLATOR SPEAKS

On September 29, during assembly, Dr. W. W. Finlator, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Elizabeth City, spoke to the student body.

Developing his topic, "Yes," the speaker explained that as one faces the "rough stuff" of life he can answer "No" as Bhudda taught and cancel all desires; he can answer "Yes" as Hitler did and thereby destroy himself or become insane; or he can answer "Yes", as Jesus taught, and consecrate all things to God.

Having referred so interestingly to many significant factors, Dr. Finlator left with the student body very timely information.

—M. B. HILL