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## FOUNDER'S DAY EXERCISES TO BE HELD MARCH 1

### Winston Douglas to Be Founder's Day Speaker

Annual Founder's Day exercises honoring the late P. W. Moore will be observed on Sunday, March 1, in the College Auditorium with Winston Douglas, principal of Booker T. Washington High School, Norfolk, and former instructor and coach at Elizabeth City State Teachers College, as the main speaker.

Mrs. Jennie S. Thompson will bring greetings from the General Alumni Association.

Mrs. Rachel Luton Boyce, a student of the College during the administration of Dr. Moore, will also speak. Music will be rendered by the College Choir.

At the close of the program in the Auditorium, a pilgrimage will be made to the grave of the Founder where a brief service will be held.

### DR. W. W. HOFFLER APPOINTED TO ALBEMARLE HOSPITAL STAFF

News has reached the Newsletter that Dr. W. W. Hoffler, College physician has been appointed to the active staff of the Albemarle Hospital of Elizabeth City. This is greatly significant because Dr. Hoffler has the distinction of being the first Negro physician to hold this position.

### EXECUTIVE BOARD HOLDS ANNUAL MEET

The Executive Board of the Elizabeth City State Teachers College Alumni Association held its annual January meeting at the College on Saturday, January 17, beginning at 10:30 A.M., with F. P. Shields presiding.

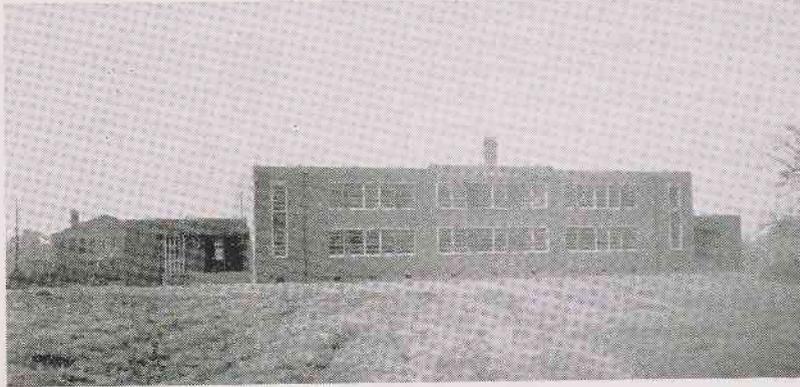
A business session was followed by a discussion of plans for Founders Day. Delegates were named to the National Alumni meeting to be held in Albany, Georgia, and to the Area Four meeting which will convene at Shaw University in Raleigh.

Coach R. M. White reviewed progress in athletics and explained the need of funds for developing the athletic program. President Williams also urged continued support from the Alumni Association.

At the close of the morning session, alumni enjoyed dinner which was served in the College dining hall. During this time remarks were made on the outlook for the coming year. Also in answer to the call for contributions toward the athletic program, Walter Turner, representative from Halifax County, presented for the College Athletic Fund a check for \$100 from the Halifax Alumni Chapter.

—Elsie Miller

### NEW SCIENCE HALL



Many members of the General Alumni Association, along with the many friends of our college will see the Science Hall for the first time on Founder's Day. A tour through the building will really surprise those who have not been on the campus recently.

### DEAN W. P. JONES ON LEAVE

Dean Wendell P. Jones is on leave to complete his dissertation for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy at the University of Chicago. He has completed all residential work, including his oral examinations.

In 1935 he entered the Elizabeth City State Teachers College. He pursued the two-year Normal course and was graduated in 1937 with honor. After having taught in the public schools of North Carolina, he returned to Elizabeth City to complete the requirements for the Bachelor of Science degree. As a student he was assistant to Dean S. D. Williams, now President, and was familiarly known as "Little Dean". He was graduated in 1942.

Having received from Atlanta University in 1941 the degree of Master of Arts, he accepted a position as critic-teacher at the Fayetteville State Teachers College, Fayetteville, North Carolina. During his period at this institution, he spent one summer at the University of Colorado.

In 1943 he matriculated at the University of Chicago. At intervals he has continued his studies at the University and has won honors in the field of Education.

The students of the College wish Dean Jones all the luck in his endeavor as well as a speedy return to the institution.

Nina C. Perry

### MR. B. B. JACKSON SPEAKS

On Wednesday morning, January 7, Mr. B. B. Jackson spoke to the student body on a very timely and interesting subject, "Conflicts Between East and West." In his speech he pointed out reasons for disagreement between these two territories — those causes which have led us to the Korean Crisis.

### Dr. Lovejoy Speaks

On Wednesday morning, February 4, Dr. Gordon W. Lovejoy, a Representative for National Congress of Christians and Jews, and an Educational Consultant at Guilford College, Greensboro, N. C., spoke to the student body. Using as his theme, "There Is No Easy Way," Dr. Lovejoy pointed out how much emphasis is being placed on the easy way and how the doctrine of the easy is spread in religion, education, and economics. "This," he said, "has penetrated our thinking of free enterprise. In man's relationship to man; man's relationship to God; and man's relationship to his surroundings, there is no easy way to solve all of his problems".

He proposed four steps as alternative that will direct our thinking in the solving of our problems. They were: (1) Get the basic facts. (2) Re-examine what Democracy means. (3) Abandon lethargy and indifference that is shown when we face major problems. (4) Re-examine basic teaching of the religious faith to which we profess allegiance. "We should," said Dr. Lovejoy, "understand the doctrine of our own faith." When we examine our own faith, then petty suspicions of others disappear. Religious faith is the right of every individual in this land of ours.

In concluding, he emphasized the need for good human relations, leaving with the audience two thoughts: that we are one land, a model of from one to many, and that "The price of Liberty is eternal vigilance."

### PLANS OF THE COLUMBIA PRESS ASSOCIATION CONVENTION

The 29th Annual Press Convention which is the largest convention in the world, will be held at Columbia University on March 12-14, 1953. There will be offered a series of not more than 150 meeting conferences and discussions during the three day period for student editors, faculty advisers of newspapers, magazines and yearbooks, who are interested in learning the latest and best ways of improving their publications. Professional journalists and outstanding members of the school publication field will deliver talks and give advice designed to meet the needs of the student press.

On Thursday, March 12, registration will be in order from 9-12 A.M. in the Low Library Rotunda. Beginning at 1:30 there will be a general opening session. Following at 2:30 P.M. sectional meetings, and newspaper and magazine Clinics will be held at the McMillin Theatre.

Friday, March 13, the advisers (See PRESS ASSOCIATION, page 3)

### P.T.A. HONORS DR. WILLIAMS

The North Carolina Congress of Colored Parents and Teachers honored President S. D. Williams and other North Carolinians recently when it celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of its founding. President Williams for five years was executive secretary and was recently elected to life membership in the National Congress of Colored Parents and Teachers.

On November 18, the President addressed the student body and faculty of Fayetteville State Teachers College. Using as his theme, "Thinking as a Means Toward Better Living," he called attention to the need for acting upon the basis of thinking rather than upon impulses. In the afternoon of the same day, President Williams spoke to the entire faculty. Following his talk, much time was given to questions and answers.

President Williams attended the meeting of the Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools in Memphis, Tennessee, December 1-4. For the first time in the history of the association, this organization held a joint session with the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. Principals D. F. Walker of Edenton and E. A. Anderson of Elizabeth City accompanied President Williams to Memphis.

### DRAMATIC CLUB PRESENTS "THE HEIRESS"

A delightful treat was experienced February 2, when the Dramatic Club, under the direction of Mrs. E. W. Postell, presented "The Heiress."

The play was written by the noted Henry James, and adapted by Goetz. The "Heiress" proved to be one of the greatest attractions to hit this campus in a long while.

The title role was played by Anna Battle whose personality and finesse made her a new star worth (See DRAMATIC CLUB, page 4)