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Dr. L. D. Johnson, Alumnus, Delivers Address

State Teachers College observed its sixty-third annual Founders Day Exercises on Sunday, February 28, with Dr. L. D. Johnson of Gary, Indiana, as principal speaker. Using as his theme "The Challenge of a New Day" he inspired his audience as he spoke of the wonderful work done by the founder and first president of State Teachers College, Dr. P. W. Moore.

William Bowser, president of the Student Council, brought greetings from the student body to members of the college family and visiting friends; Fred P. Shields, president of the General Alumni Association spoke for the Alumni.

The life of Dr. Moore was briefly reminisced as T. S. Cooper, one of the early students of Dr. Moore, recaptured some of the wit and humor of a great, great man.

At the close of the services in the Auditorium a Pilgrimage was made to the grave of Dr. Moore with the college minister, Rev. J. F. Banks, officiating. Mrs. Thelma Ganes Davenport, granddaughter of Dr. Moore, placed the wreath on his grave.

The entire day, highlighted with "Open House", came to a close at a tea given in the Home Management Department.

—Pruden

ZETA PHI BETA SORORITY ORGANIZED

On December 12, 1953, the Alpha Gamma Chapter of the Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. was set up in Elizabeth City State Teachers College Campus.

Eight girls were installed by soror Welma C. Bunche, of Norfolk, Virginia. First National President, of the Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.

The persons installed are:

Leona Chasten, President
Mattie Seward, Vice-President
Agnes Canda, Secretary
Barbara Copeland, Treasurer
Thelma Waters, Reporter
Mary Bynum, Chaplain
Chestina Fosque, Keeper of Supplies

Other members are: Helen Allen, Marylean Bingham and Patsy Moton. Mrs. Gwendolyn J. Midgett is the sponsor of the chapter.

WOMAN'S COLLEGE DEAN ADDRESSES N. S. A. CONFAB

Gives Opening Address on the Eve of Regional Convention Date

Woman's College Dean of the University of North Carolina, Katherine Taylor, told 130 campus leaders from three states that the way to inspire interest of college students in international affairs is "to begin at home."

Miss Taylor spoke to a get-together of campus leaders from 30 colleges including North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia. The occasion was the National Student Association Regional Conference on the Woman's College campus.

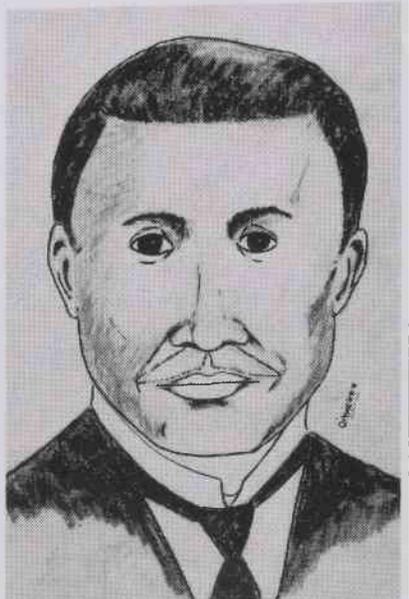
"We have no magic wand to wave over American College students and say, "Participate," Miss Taylor said. She pointed out that leaders need to enlighten citizens of their own community.

Speaking on "the free trade of ideas" the Woman's College dean stressed the importance of N. S. A. "The growth of student government has made it natural and necessary for organizations to exchange thoughts and experiences."

Dean Taylor defined the national student group as a "rare combination of inspiration and common sense." She added "It's not a super student government as some seem to think at times."

"You are not the elite", she told the group of student presidents, legislators and editors. You're simply those to (See WOMAN'S COLLEGE, page 4)

DR. P. W. MOORE



Drawing by Louis O'Pharrow

MYRTLE HILL AND LOUIS O'PHARROW COMPLETE COURSE



The Newsletter Staff and the entire college family will long remember the outstanding services of Myrtle Borden Hill and Louis O'Pharrow who are completing their work at this institution at the end of this quarter.

Faithful to the end

Myrtle Hill, who is a member of the Ushers' Guild and the Be Natural Club, is also associate Editor of the Newsletter. Her diligent work, smiles of enthusiasm, scholastic ability, and (See MYRTLE HILL, page 4)

WHO WILL WEAR THE MANTLE?

Missing! One cartoonist !! Name—Louis O'Pharrow! Last place seen! Training School doing P.T. as the final touch before graduation. The Newsletter and the students will miss his cartoons and humorous remarks that helped to bring the sun rays from behind the cloudy skies. A token of gratitude to the person who is willing, trustworthy, enthusiastic, and ready to fill the position held by O'Pharrow.

It takes a little bit of courage mixed with ambition and ability simmered over an intellectual flame for four years to make a true, faithful citizen who is well on the road to success.

To Myrtle and O'Pharrow we wish the best of luck in all your endeavors, and will always remember the impression you have made on the campus of S.T.C.

—Mary L. Gatling

20th Annual Drama Festival with 11 High Schools Participating

The welcome of President S. D. Williams, on February 18th, opened the Twentieth Annual Drama Festival held at the Elizabeth City State Teachers College.

Four plays were presented during the morning session. The program began with a comedy, "Mind over Mumps", by Edenton High School, wherein a teenager having a crush on her psychology teacher schemed to attract his attention.

"No Greater Love", given by P. W. Moore High School, told how a young doctor because of his mother's lowly status sought work in the "big city." Learning of her struggle to keep him in school, he returned home to practice.

The audience was brought back to comedy by "Eh," given by Buckland High School. This was the story of a father who suddenly becoming deaf wanted a son-in-law who was likewise.

Bitterness was displayed in the "Cornhusk Doll" presented by T. S. Cooper High School. The unhappiness of a very famous film star was caused by the receiving of a cornhusk doll in youth. Because of this she detested her mother, only to realize, too (See ANNUAL DRAMA, page 4)

DR. REINHARDT SPEAKS

The week of the 7th of February was a busy one for the Sigma Rho Sigma Honorary Society.

On the 10th, the club was in charge of an assembly program divided into two parts: "The History and Purpose of the Club" and "The Achievements of the Negro in Education, Science and Political Affairs."

On the 11th, in Synera Hall, the club was given a party by Dr. George Davis, one of the sponsors. There the members danced and dined with invited guests. Everyone enjoyed the entertainment.

The week was climaxed with a timely address on "The Transfer from Segregation to Integration" by Dr. John Edward Reinhardt, Associate Professor of English at Virginia State College.

The Sigma Rho Sigma wishes to remind all freshmen and sophomores who are interested in social studies that the club takes in new members in the Spring Quarter. Only once in a student's college career is this opportunity available. Scholarship in social studies and personality are two requirements. We are proud to have had a successful year with many achievements.

—James Johnson