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S.T.C. STAGES PRE-OPENING CONFERENCE

The opening of the fall session of Elizabeth City State Teachers College began on September 7, when staff members convened for the pre-opening conferences. The theme was "The Improvement of College Instruction."

On September 7, President Sidney D. Williams presided at the opening meeting and outlined the scope of the sessions. September 8 and 9 were given over to group and panel discussions of the various phases of college instruction, under the general direction of Dean George L. Davis, assisted by faculty members.

President and Mrs. Williams entertained members of the faculty at a dinner on Thursday, at which time the guest speaker for the occasion was W. T. Greene, executive secretary, North Carolina Teachers Association, who discussed "Institutions of Higher Education and Professional Organizations."

S.T.C. GETS TWO NEW DORMITORIES

Two new dormitories are being erected on the college campus. One dormitory will house women students, and the other will house faculty women.

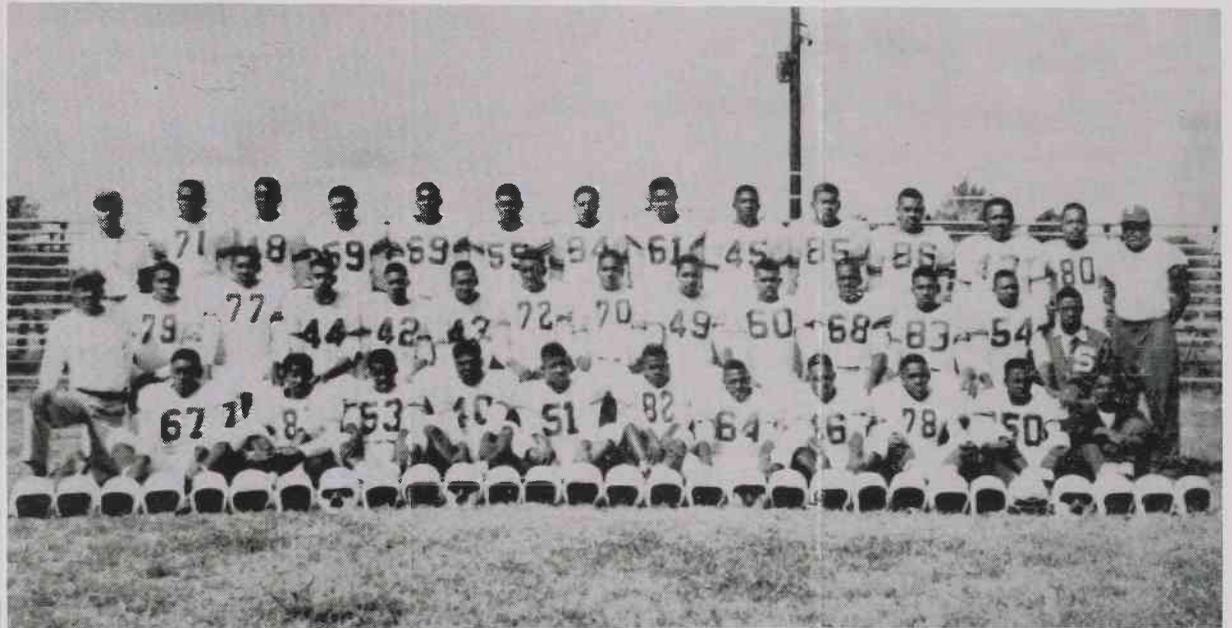
Located adjacent to the athletic field and to the rear of the Fine Arts and Physical Education Building, these dormitories will occupy a beautiful site on the college campus and will add much to the growth and development of the institution.

These dormitories are unique in architectural design. Each dormitory will contain approximately thirty-six bedrooms, each two being connected by a semi-private bath. A laundry and hair dressing parlor will be on each floor. Disassociated from the living quarters will be the service area which will include a reception room, game room, kitchenette and storage space for trunks and other materials. There will also be a lounge on each floor. It is expected that these buildings will form one of the most attractive groups on the campus.

NEW MEMBERS JOIN S.T.C. NEWS LETTER

At a meeting of the News Letter on September 27, five new members were added to the staff. Three former members, including Lonnie Davis, who has been with the armed forces, also joined the group.

The new members are Osie Robinson, Billy Hodge and Sterling Lennon who will write on sports; Elsie Sharpe and Alelia Koonce who will serve as reporters and Mary Spruill, typist.



1954 PIRATES

TO THE FRESHMEN

To the freshmen of 1954: We welcome you wholeheartedly and hope that you will enjoy the full four years of your college life.

The sophomores are very happy that you will take the places they held last year and hope sincerely that you will succeed to the higher steps of learning. The juniors are thrilled because you are here, and they, too, are hoping that you will be successful. The seniors know you are standing where they once stood, at the beginning of the ladder. They will tell you it is not hard to step up this ladder if you are willing to work.

Sophomores, juniors and seniors are happy to welcome you; in fact the school as a whole. All hope that you will never fail to ask for help when it is needed, for it is our desire to guide you and set you on the right road.

To be successful we must work today, tomorrow and the next days. However when this goal is reached, we shall not be all, but only a part of the way. We never learn enough, nor can we learn too much. We simply make preparation for more.

—Mattie Seward

DR. G. L. DAVIS SPEAKS

On Sunday, October 24, Dr. G. L. Davis, Dean of the college, addressed the student body on "Integration in Catholic Schools."

He pointed out the states that had integrated Catholic schools and those that did not have integrated schools before the Supreme Court ruled the decision in May, 1954.

In his discussion he asked several questions and answered them. Some of his questions were: Do integrated schools cause integrated marriages? Will Negro teachers be without jobs? Will there be a riot before the schools

COLLEGE WELCOMES NEW STAFF MEMBERS

The College is happy to welcome new staff members. The following additions have been made.

In the department of Music are Miss Charlotte A. Butts and Miss Edna L. Davis. Miss Butts, a graduate of Hampton Institute, holds a Mus. B. in Voice from Boston University. Miss Davis of Sumter, South Carolina, is a graduate of Tuskegee Institute and also Oberlin Conservatory from which she received the masters degree in Music Education. She has taught previously at Jackson College in Jackson, Mississippi.

Miss Ethel Keels, a native of Lynchburg, South Carolina, and graduate of Virginia State College, is secretary to the Dean of the College.

Mr. C. W. Gregory of LaGrange, North Carolina, is instructor in the department of Social Studies. He is a graduate of North Carolina College.

Teaching Biology is Mr. Joseph I. White of Durham, North Carolina, who is also a North Carolina College graduate.

Dr. Ethna Beulah Winston of Windsor, Connecticut, is professor in the departments of Education and English. A graduate of Miner Teachers College, Howard University, and Columbia University and also an experienced educator. Dr. Winston has made many contributions. She has been active in Social Service and Student Personnel Administration. She has also published several writings including articles in professional journals.

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In closing he answered questions that were asked by the student body, and members of the faculty.

STUDENT COUNSELOR PLAN INITIATED

Elizabeth City State Teachers College student counselor program as conducted by the dean of women, Mrs. Carolyn Robertson Payton, has proved to be successful.

There were twenty young women of the junior class who were selected by the dormitory directresses Mrs. M. L. Carter and Mrs. B. A. Jordan for the role of counselors on the basis of their scholarship and sociometric techniques.

Those students selected to serve as counselors returned to school one week prior to the opening date to attend a workshop in "Counseling by Students."

The student counselors are: Misses Yvonne Bland of Disputanta, Va.; Evangelist Brinson of Wilmington; Martha Coward of Greenville; Irene Exum of Whitakers; Earline Joyner of Greenville, Ga.; Lois King of Montclair, N. J.; Geraldine Jones of Whiteville; Myrtle O. Johnson of Wooddale; Iris Thompson of Fairmont; Anna M. White of Elizabeth City; Doris Wynn of Suffolk, Va.; and Mesdames Gloria Reid Avery of Henderson and Vivian Harris Burke of Charlotte.

"The Gentleman of the Week"

By a majority vote of the Student Council, Albert Horne, a sophomore of Rocky Mount, was chosen "Gentleman" for the week of October 8. Along with this title he also received a cash award.

Horne was chosen for his overall personality, including courtesy, respect, manhood, spiritual and moral standing.

"The Gentleman of the Week" is only one of the many projects of the Student Council for this school year.

—Melvin White