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### Homecoming Parade A Success

On Saturday morning, November 13, one of the best annual Homecoming Parades left Elizabeth City State Teachers College campus. A number of floats and decorated cars, representing the various organizations that are affiliated with the college, were led by the R. L. Vann High School Band. Other bands appearing in the parade were Pasquotank Elementary School, P. W. Moore High School, Winston-Salem Teachers College, J. J. Clemmons High School, and Elizabeth City State Teachers College Band.

The parade started from the northeastern end of the campus and proceeded through the business section of Elizabeth City, and back to the campus. For a change of pattern, bands were stationed at various municipal intersections and fell in line as the parade moved on.

Cash Awards were given for the best and most original floats. First place went to the Young Women's Christian Association. The College Players took second place, and Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated, won third honor.

Everyone who was responsible for the parade deserves praise, especially Mr. W. J. Muldrow who served as marshal. Teamwork gave us a wonderful parade and spirited the football team on to victory. Who could ask for more?

-Yvonne Bland

### Noted Educator Delivers Address

The college family enjoyed on November 19, an inspirational and educational speech by Dr. Gerald Priestly, educator, historian and lecturer.

The students and faculty members were held spellbound and they visited vicariously with him Rome, London, Berlin and many other points of interest.

In his inspiring message he brought out the facts that each of us is engaged in the struggle of education for survival, and when there is no vision the people perish. He explained that Americans are the leaders of a free world and this free world is looking to the youth of today for leadership.

Dr. Priestly also said that we live in a world where fifty per cent of the people cannot read or write, and that it is impossibe to have a democracy when we are bound by superstition and ignorance.

He closed his enlightening message encouraging men to fight because the temple of mankind is erected by men who fight rather than those who sneer.

This rich, dynamic address was thoroughly enjoyed, for it aroused the audience to the responsibilities of individuals and true citizens of America.

## STANLEY IS ASSEMBLY SPEAKER

Edward Stanley, director of public relations for NBC Radio and Television, spoke to the students November 3, at which time he discussed "Education Through Television."

Stanley opened his talk by comparing television with the spoken word of years ago, which was then the only means of obtaining news. Growth of philharmonic orchestras was attributed to radio and television which enabled more people to enjoy the music.

Television, Stanley said, requires a different style of presentation of music, and that all types of operas can be presented with the same effectiveness as on the real stage. Each performer, he continued, is required to do an outstanding job on T. V.

The field of social studies, which includes civics, history and sociology has been greatly aided through presentation of those subjects on television, the speaker declared. He said many shows, especially on Sunday afternoons, feature non-segregated young people interviewing top officials.

Stanley believes that within a few years there will be courses in How to Read a Screen, just as we now have courses on How to Read the Written Word.

—Twine

S.T.C. Players in "Clarence" Oct. 3rd

The College Players will present "Clarence", a three-act comedy by Booth Tarkington, in the College Auditorium on Thursday, February 3 at 8:15 P.M. The production is under the direction of Mrs. Edythe Bagley.

## Merry Christmas



I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day

I heard the bells on Christmas day Their old familiar carols play, And wild and sweet the words repeat Of peace on earth, good will to men.

I thought how, as the day had come The belfries of all Christiendom Had rolled along th'un broken song Of peace on earth, good will to men.

And in despair I bow'd my head:
"There is no peace on earth", I said,
For hate is strong and mocks the song
Of peace on earth, good will to men.

Then pealed the bells more loud and deep:

"God is not dead, nor doth he sleep; The wrong shall fail, the right prevail, With peace on earth, good will to men.

-Longfellow



Are you willing to believe that love is the strongest thing in the world—stronger than hate, stronger than evil, stronger than death—and that the blessed life which began in Bethlehem nineteen hundred years ago is the image and brightness of the Eternal Love? Then you can keep Christmas. And if you keep it for a day, why not always? But you can never keep it alone.

—Henry Van Dyke

#### George R. Little, Trustee, Passes

Mr. George R. Little, chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Elizabeth City State Teachers College, died on November 15 after a brief illness. Mr. Little was appointed to the board in 1927 and was made chairman in 1932.

His membership on the board was characterized by his sympathetic understanding of the problems faced by the board and by his loyalty and interest in the college at all times. Even though he was active in many civic and religious organizations, he always found time to devote to the college. He wanted the institution to be an asset to the community and constantly sought ways and means to promote its interests and activities.

Mr. Little had the unique distinction of having served on the board with each of the four presidents of the institution. To each of them he gave loyal support, wise counselling and sympathetic understanding. He watched the growth of the college from a two-year normal school to a four-year college and used his energies in helping it to receive national, state and regional accreditation.

While the chairman of the Board of Trustees, Mr. Little was instrumental in helping the institution secure federal and state funds for its expansion program. Highly respected by citizens in all walks of life, he will be mourned by all. To his family the college extends its deepest sympathy.

### MISS HOMECOMING AND ATTENDANTS



Jean Whitfield (Miss Homecoming), Virginia Washington, and Carlise Hardy

### VETERANS DAY PROGRAM

On November 11, a special assembly, sponsored by the Veteran Club, was held in the college auditorium in observance of what is now known as Veterans Day.

The program was opened by "M. C." James Whitaker who gave the audience a statement of the significance of the day. The purpose of the Veterans Club was given by Clarence Revelle, after which a poem entitled "The Test" was read by Lonnie Davis. Ceclephus Everett delivered the morning speech: "Why We Celebrate Veterans Day." The hearts of the audience warmed, as he related the history of Veterans Day to the present. To conclude the program Mr. Moses gave the name and rank of Veterans on the campus, including the faculty.

From the general comments on the program, it was well received by the audience. Let's take our hats off to the veterans of S.T.C.'s campus for a job well done and hope to see more activities sponsored by them.

-Lonnie Davis