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Rev. E. Franklin Jackson Speaker During Religious Emphasis Week

Religious Emphasis Week was observed at the College through a series of Assembly programs and conferences conducted by the Reverend E. Franklin Jackson, pastor of the John Wesley A.M.E. Zion Church in Washington, D. C. This observance began with the Vesper Services held on Sunday afternoon, March 10, at 6:00 P.M. and continued throughout the week.

During Assembly, Reverend Jackson discussed many topics which proved to be very enlightening as well as inspiring. On Monday, he spoke on "The Choice Is Always Ours", in which he explained that there are three main choices to be made: a choice of real religion, a choice of dynamic and fruitful living and the choice of vibrant hope. The way begins just as low as we happen to be. The moment we set our face in the same direction as His, we are walking with God.

"Easy or Triumphant" was the subject of Reverend Jackson's speech on Tuesday, wherein he emphasized that if we are to live triumphant lives, we

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Editors Represent Newsletter At CSPA

James E. Leathers, editor-in-chief of the Newsletter, and Alelia Koonce, associate editor, represented the College at the thirty-third annual meeting of the Columbia Scholastic Press Association held in New York City, March 14-16. More than 4,500 elementary, high school and college students were in attendance.

The opening meeting of the Teachers College Division was held in Macy Hall, Teachers College, Columbia University, with Richard Weber, president, and Ben Jensen, executive chairman, as main speakers.

Following this first meeting on Thursday afternoon, Francis W. Palmer, Publication Adviser for Illinois State Teachers College, gave a very scholarly lecture on "Educational Journalism", in which he stressed the role of the administration, the adviser and the publication staff. The need of establishing a mutual understanding of responsibilities and limitations at the beginning of the school year was brought out by Mr. Palmer.

At 4:00 P.M. of the same day, students were touring the New York Times Building. It was most interesting to find out that some 5,000 persons assumed the mental and physical responsibilities of putting the paper together, and that vast natural resources

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Lyceum Series Presents Vivian Scott

Vivian Scott, the third of the Lyceum series for 1956-57, was presented in the College Auditorium, Friday night, March 22 to a highly appreciative audience.

Miss Scott gave a brilliant performance, including numbers from Schumann, Chopin, Ravel, Prokofieff, Czerny and Mompou.

She did a wonderful job of "Davidsbundlertanze", a composition written by Schumann. This composition consisted of eighteen pieces, some of which were poetic and melancholy, while the others were more fiery. By listening to the skilled performer, one could easily distinguish the two.

Throughout the program Miss Scott proved to be an artist with great power and ability. Her style was with poise and ease.

She showed that she has the qualities that make a good pianist. She plays with expression and brings quality to each composition.—Ivola Banks

SHIRLEY WIGGINS CHOSEN MISS S.T.C. FOR 1957

Shirley Wiggins, a junior at Elizabeth City State Teachers College, was named "Miss S.T.C. as a result of a campaign recently conducted by the student body. She was in competition with two other popular representatives of her class.

As a member of the College Choir and Young Women's Christian Association and also as a Junior Counselor, Shirley has made a definite contribution to campus life. She is a member of Pyramid Club of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority.

Shirley is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Wiggins of Nashville, North Carolina. She is a graduate of Nash County Training School.

DR. G. DAVIS VISITS CAMPUS

Dr. Grady Davis, Dean of the Shaw University School of Religion, spoke during an assembly on March 20, on "The Rebirth or Revival of Righteousness".

Although Dr. Davis stated at the outset that his main purpose was to recruit students for the Shaw School of Religion, his address was an intellectual challenge to all. He told how the thinkers of the past centuries considered religion a superstition, believing that science and reasoning would eventually overshadow it. The lecturer also called attention to the fact that statistics have proved different or contrary to what the thinkers of

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LARKINS TELLS OF CURRENT POSITION OF NEGRO

A discussion of the current position of the Negro formed the basis of an address by Mr. John R. Larkins, a member of the Public Welfare Department, Raleigh, North Carolina, in the Assembly on March 6.

Mr. Larkins said "On the farm there has been little, if any improvement in the status of the mass of Negroes. In the South, off the farm, the colored man has not done much better than

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MARIE RIDDICK SPEAKS



On Sunday afternoon, March 24, Marie Riddick thrilled her audience as Vesper Service speaker for the Alpha Kappa Mu Honorary Society at the Elizabeth City State Teachers College. Miss Riddick is a senior at the college and a member of this Honorary Society.

In her message, she emphasized the need for better preparation. "If broadened opportunities are to be realized, Negroes must add to their skills and competencies. This involves much more than a formal integration of schools. Basic preparation for school and other work occurs within the family, the neighborhood and the community. Preparation begins in earliest childhood. When a young Negro has an opportunity to apply for a good job, his willingness to compete for it and his prospect of securing it depend on his earlier development and preparation for work.

In conclusion, Miss Riddick said, "The greater challenge that faces us as leaders of the free world has at last forced us to recall and to act upon Lincoln's warning: Those who deny freedom to others deserve it not for themselves, and under a just God, cannot long retain it."

Annual College Day Held

Following the tradition of the Elizabeth City State Teachers College, Annual College Day was observed on March 28. Seniors took over the entire activities for the day and concluded their program with a Coronation Ball in the evening.

At the morning Assembly, Dean G. L. Davis presented the seniors to President Williams who led the Administration of the Senior Oath. The College keys were turned over to Irvin Gordy, president of the Senior Class, who directed the Presentation of Officers and Rearrangement of Chapel Seating.

Using "Education the Universal Zenith" as his subject, Gordy spoke to the student body. He emphasized a stanza of the Alma Mater,

So now we'll join together
For S. T. C. to work;
Let none of us be faint at heart
Nor any duty shirk.

The Administration of the Freshman Oath was directed by Carolyn M. Cooper, vice-president of the Senior Class.

Members of the Senior Class were assigned their positions on the faculty for the day, and the student body joined in singing the Alma Mater.

MRS. EATON ATTENDS A S C D MEET

Mrs. Estelle Eaton, a member of our Social Studies Department, has recently attended a meeting of the Association of Supervision and Curriculum Development in St. Louis, Missouri. This is the largest affiliated organization of the N. E. A.

The theme of this meeting was "Education and the Future—Appraisal and Planning." There were forty groups discussing this theme. Dr. R. E. Lawrence, secretary of the A. A. C. T. E., led a discussion on "Developing a Functional Educational Program For Modern Schools."

Other highlights of the meeting were addresses on the "Foreseeable World of Tomorrow" by the science editor of UNESCO, Dr. Gerald Wendt, and "How Can Schools Meet the Challenge of These Times" by the professor at Wayne University, Detroit, Michigan, Dr. Marie L. Rosey.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Pirates will play 10 games this fall starting September 21 with Claflin College.