

Mrs. Eaton Tours Europe

It is impossible in a brief discussion to mention the highlights of this significant tour for the highlights are present from the beginning to the end.

What does one do when traveling on the world's largest steamship liner? What life dreams are fulfilled as one moves from country to country? What are some of the scenes of natural beauty which defy description? What opinions are formed and given as different backgrounds and cultures? Is it elegance in good manners? Is it fine art? Is it history? Is it natural beauty? Is it the human touch? Is it a quiet spot where one may commune with the Divine Spirit? All of these and many more are the experiences for one who loves people and loves to travel.

There is the passion play performed every ten years by the natives in the little village of Oberammergau nestled between the forest and the mountains. The villages appeal to the visitor and possess a very rich and rare quality of piety and joy in living. Combined with their artistic talents in their original power of artistic talents in their original power of artistic expression in their carvings and paintings. The play itself has a Roman Catholic piety based on humanism imbued with Protestant faith, fused into this unromantic Christian Drama.

I think that I came away a better person by having witnessed such a

stirring portrayal. On this particular day of performance, hundreds of people were turned away to wait until 1970.

The Shrine of St. Bernadette located in Lourdes, France, made the visit there a significant occasion. The torch light procession, with thousands of Pilgrims, each bearing a candle, united in singing the Lourdes "Ave Marie" as they marched round the Esplanade. The inspiration is to pray and to be a living testament of Truth. I came away believing that most people are good at heart.

There was Fontainebleau considered to be the richest art school of French Renaissance. There was Salzburg, the home of Mozart, the idol of the music world. There was the Blue Danube (which isn't blue at all). There were Paris, Venice, Vienna and Barcelona, each unique in its culture. There were the Adriatic and Mediterranean Seas. There were the Pyrenees and the Swiss Alps through which one drives and marvels at the grandeur of the universe. There were the French ballets, the operas, the Parisian night clubs, and the folk dancing. There was even fun in getting lost because of language difficulties. There was still some evidence of the way town years in Cherbourg Caen, Stuttgart and Munich.

How quickly the days passed when there were so many places to go and so many places to go!

Would you like to hear more?
Estelle A. Eaton

First Vespers Held

The students of Elizabeth City State Teachers observed their first Vespers on Sunday evening at 6:00 p.m. in the College auditorium. The speaker for the occasion was Dr. W. N. Ridley, President of the College.

Speaking directly to the students, Dr. Ridley emphasized character traits that a leader should possess. He suggested that the group put forth efforts to acquire desirable traits of leadership. The most important of these he believed were to know how to obey and how to accept helpful criticism.

Dr. Ridley pointed out that in the world today we need more people who will care for the less fortunate; people who do not influence inferiority in others and who do not themselves possess inferiority complexes. He asked questions not to condemn to the world, but to be transformed by the renewing of their minds.

The speaker continued by urging all persons connected with the college to fit their philosophy of life into social philosophies of the time; to get all factual information possible from the various fields of knowledge. Students were told never to become unduly aggravated by developments with which they do not agree. Instead, they were urged to consider what is right and to have faith in themselves.

Dr. Ridley concluded his address by saying, "When it is dark enough the stars come out."

Students Donate Blood

Students at S.T.C. are becoming more conscious of their civic responsibilities. An instance of this was shown in a report of S.T.C. blood donors made by Mrs. G. L. Smith, Health Instructor.

Recently sixteen students went to the American Red Cross Headquarters at the First Methodist Church of Elizabeth City and gave blood. In this group were: Allen, Willis, Baum, Robert Biggs, Ella Burke, John Garris, John W. Jones, George Kitchen, Walter Leigh, Henry Pickett, Cecil Rousson, Benjamin Saunders, Doris Simmons, Haywood Sutton, William Teel, Aela Vinson, Thomas Williams and Roosevelt Wright.

Visit the Nursery School

Under the supervision of Mrs. Tillie Kyle (now at Arkansas A. & M. College) and Mrs. Rosa Lyons, the Nursery School opened on March 1, 1960, at Elizabeth City State Teachers' College.

Its major purpose is to provide experiences for students taking courses in psychology who are interested in the development of children. The second purpose of the Nursery School is to provide learning and developmental experiences to benefit the children themselves.

It is operated four hours per day, Monday - Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The children work with clay, color pictures and use scissors. Each child is served a well-balanced lunch, with milk every day.

Last year, a total of twenty-five students from the psychology classes of Mrs. Kyle worked in the Nursery School, and made observation during the semester. They wrote term papers based on case studies, which they had made. It is anticipated that all classes in psychology will make use of this facility during this school term.

Mrs. Ross Lyons is in charge of the Nursery School this year and is doing a very good job. The setting is very colorful and the atmosphere pleasant. The children seem to enjoy being a part of the Nursery School.

Greek Letter Organizations

Mary Leavens

Are our Greek letter organizations defeating their purpose here at State Teachers College?

The last induction of members and a few activities of some of the Greek letter organizations have disturbed me to an extent. It seems as if the sororities and fraternities have distorted tremendously the foundations on which they are built.

In my opinion, these organizations are designed to promote scholarship and fellowship within the particular group and the college community. Membership in these organizations should afford an opportunity for an individual to develop his leadership ability, to gain experience in working constructively with others, and to make a definite contribution on the campus and abroad.

It appears that the sororities and fraternities on this campus lack the ability to work together and really "go places." Though a competitive spirit is good in many instances, the competition that prevails here is of a detrimental nature, for it encourages actions that are not in the least favorable. A backward glance at the last induction of pledges will support such an accusation.

I admonish each individual Greek to be loyal to his organization, and at the same time respect the others. I encourage each group to be objective enough to work more closely with the others, for here lies an excellent opportunity to improve, in many areas, the college community.

Student Council Prexy Greet's Student Body

The student body of the Elizabeth City State Teachers College met on September 21, with the president, Mr. George Kitchen presiding.

Mr. Kitchen greeted the student body on the behalf of the Student Council. He stated that there would be monthly meetings of the student body to keep the group informed as to what was going on in the Student Council meetings.

After this, he emphasized his platform for the benefit of the old students, and introduced the program for the freshmen of the college family.

Below is a detailed statement of objectives for 1960-61.

1. To strengthen the organizational structure of the Student Council, and to make it a better workable, serviceable and functional organization responsible to the student.
2. To have more open meetings to let the students know what is being done.
3. To have the minutes of each Student Government meeting posted in each dormitory.
4. To have the Student Government office open at specified hours.
5. To give each student more responsibilities, thereby stimulating school spirit.
6. To strengthen the relationship between students and faculty, and
7. To make students aware of the rules and regulations governing them.

Mr. Kitchen then talked about the various activities which he proposed

Lampodas Club Initiates Five

The Lampodas Club of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity initiated five new members recently: George Griffin, LaCurtis Simons, Elmer Brown, Thornton Smith and Stewart Vick.

Shortly after initiation, the new members met with the old members of the Lampodas Club to organize for the year. The following were elected: Frank Britt, president; George Griffin, vice-president; Stewart Vick, secretary; Thornton Smith, treasurer; Herbert Mott, chaplain; Albert Rogers, sergeant-at-arms.

Delta Greet Freshmen

At a party given in the Recreation Hall on September 23 the members of Delta Chi Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. welcomed the young ladies of the Freshman Class.

There were introductions of both undergraduate and graduate Deltas, lively conversations, Pyramid and Delta performances, dancing, and an appetizing repast.

The Sorority colors were attractively used in the decoration and repast. Deltas and their guests enjoyed the get-acquainted hour.

RECEPTION IN THE LIGHTHOUSE



Members of the "Carmen" cast and college students enjoy refreshments after the performance.

for the year and asked for the cooperation of the entire student body in executing these plans.

The next item of discussion on the agenda was the "memo" that had been sent out by Dr. Ridley in regards to the Lighthouse hours. Emphasis was placed on the rules concerning the hours the Lighthouse will be open during this school year. He also explained that there is to be a game hour observed in each dormitory on our campus, and the Lighthouse Committee will provide for teaching interested persons bridge, chess, and social dancing.

An explanation was given of the channels through which the organization must work in order to put the freshmen on some type of initiation.

Mr. Kitchen sought to clear the matter of the scope, purpose, and duty of the Student Council, and student representatives. He explained this by saying we are the connecting link between the faculty and administration, and the students. He told the group that the entire student body has a voice in what happens on our campus.

Mr. Kitchen then introduced the personnel of the Student Council:

Miss Lula Roberts, Miss State Teachers College.

Mr. James Swimpson, Vice-President.

Miss Helen C. Johnson, Secretary.

Mr. Robert Knight, Treasurer.

Miss Mary Puryear, Member at Large.

Mr. Edmund Johnson, Member at Large.

Miss Ina J. Lennon, Member at Large.

Mr. Pruden Jones, Member at Large.

After a question and answer period, and the singing of the Alma Mater, the meeting was adjourned. Helen C. Johnson, Secretary of Student Council.

A Sophomore Prayer

Dear God Almighty,
We don't want to be considered wise
And foolish too.

We strive very hard, Dear Lord,
To act as upperslammers, though;
But all we ever get is
A grade of "fair"—
Not too good.

Lord, I'd like to know
Just what is expected of us.
After all, we're only Sophomores;
College life is yet new.

We are given the task of leadership
And Responsibilities, too.
'Serve and serve well,' they say;
'Success depends on you.'

Freshmen Present Talent Show

A Freshman Talent Show was given on Friday, September 16, at 8 p.m. in Moore Auditorium.

This program displayed the freshmen's good taste for skits, music, poetry, modeling and dancing. The first part of the program dealt with religion. Such songs as "Holy City" and "Sometimes I Feel Like a Motherless Child" were sung. The second half consisted of modeling of fall and winter fashions; a dance, "South American Way," a vocal solo; an original skit; and also a piano solo.

The freshmen made a good impression with the production of their program.

Democracy arose from men's thinking that if they are equal in any respect, they are equal absolutely.

—Aristotle