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## Doctors I Have Known . . .

I had the fortune last semester to be taught by not one but two doctors. When I first signed up for these courses, I was a bit skeptical about such an undertaking. I was afraid that these persons would be so instructors in technology and technique that I would neither like nor understand them.

I was due for the surprise of my life. After attending classes for about a week, I found both persons to be demanding in their assignments, exacting in their lectures, thoroughly versed in all phases of their chosen fields and precise in their evaluation of materials.

Though their technology and techniques were well on the College level, I nor any member of my class has yet to ask a question in their field which was not thoroughly answered and explained to the satisfaction of all present. This type of thoroughness gives the student a pride in his instructor that prompts him to say when talking to the other students, "Man, you know Doc, is tough, but he sure is good." We who are hoping to become efficient teachers have two models that we should all strive to duplicate because if we approach the heights to which these instructors

have climbed, we will be efficient teachers. Yes, Dr. Lyons and Dr. Johnston, are doing a good job, and it is a nice feeling taking a course under these instructors, or any of our fine faculty, to know that one is qualified and confident to compete with any student from his chosen field, from any college.

I have chosen these two persons because they are shining examples of our fine staff on campus. Our instructors are here for one purpose, and that is to help make us the best in our fields. They can only guide and direct us, but we are the ones who have to really decide if we are going to wake up, students, and take advantage of this golden opportunity; it may knock only once.

—Adron Jones

## Loyalty As I See It

The success of any college depends, in a large measure, upon the loyalty and spirit of its student body. One student can stand in the way of a student body that is determined to make its college first among the best.

If you want your college to stand among the finest, you will always uphold it by your words and actions. You will not permit to go unchallenged in your presence any remark which causes reflection upon it. You will do the right things without being told, and your conduct out of sight of instructors will vary little from your conduct in their presence.

You will enthusiastically support every school activity—social, academic, and athletic as far as your means and ability will permit.

You will always cooperate with other students, thus making the welfare of the college your spirit, and the success of the college your success.

—Melvin Riley

## Candlelight-Coffee Hour

On January 29, at 5:00 P.M., a Candlelight Service and a Coffee Hour were held in the Lighthouse of Elizabeth City Teachers College.

The Candlelight Service began by the singing of "America the Beautiful" and the repeating of "The Lord's Prayer" by the audience. Following the devotion, famous poetry by various poets was recited by famous students of the college.

Afterward, the old and new faculty members, business managers and personnel managers were introduced to the new students. The purpose was to acquaint the incoming students for the second semester with the college directors and advisors in order that they might know whom to consult for help when they are in need. New and returning students were welcomed to State Teachers College Faculty.

The Coffee Hour followed. Coffee and cookies were served to everyone. Everyone drank, ate, and at the same time got acquainted with the new students and the new faculty members.

## Sure Ways to Make People Like You

Many people, especially those who have such careers as teachers, social workers, and doctors, have found it important to make people like them instantly. A law that we should always keep in mind is "Always make the other person feel important." It has been said by Professor John Dewey that the desire to be important is the deepest urge in human nature. Such things as complimenting a dance group on a fine performance or a speaker on his well planned speech helps to satisfy this urge. What does it cost you? Nothing. What does it gain you? Many lifetime companions. Talk more to people. Make them feel that they are important—mean it!

Remember that the expression that anyone wears on his face is far more important than the clothes on his back. Actions speak louder than words, and a smile says, "I am glad to see you." It is always well to be advisable to like the person; then naturally you are happy. And if you are happy you can give a real heart warming smile, the one that is worth more than all the money in the world and one that will make you feel like a millionaire. SMILE!

## The Hand That Rules The World

Women have always played a wonderful part in the history of the world.

Today women are engaged in many occupations, but more women are engaged in business of keeping house and of rearing children than in any other occupation. Therefore, the significance of the housewife cannot be over-emphasized. The greatest contribution that women can make to the world is to raise up their children in such a way, so that when they reach maturity, they will be noble men and women, individuals with strong minds, true hearts and ready hands.

Long before Christ came into the world, women were showing their influence. Deborah was a fine leader of her people, the Israelites. Special mention is also made of Miriam, who was the sister of Moses, Ruth, Esther, and many others in the Old Testament.

After Christ came in the world, Women's position was lifted to a higher place.

The fact that Christ came into the world as the son of Mary should make womanhood a sacred thing. Even He, the precious son of God, was trusted in the hands of woman.

Women hold a responsible place in our world. One great man has said, "All that I am or hope to be, I owe to my mother." Another has said, "The bravest battle ever fought, shall I tell you why and when? On the maps of the world you will find it not; 'Twas fought by the mothers of men."

Quite a number of years ago, in this country, a law was passed giving women the right to vote. Since then, women have been filling positions of various kinds in public life. We now boast of women doctors, lawyers, teachers, undertakers, and ministers. Women have found their way to the nation's capitol and are seated in Congress to help make the laws of the land.

## In Appreciation

Members of the Lighthouse staff, and especially the Games Committee, thank all persons who made contributions in the form of gifts to winners in the Bingo Party given during the semester break.

With wholehearted cooperation of the College, the party was a success. Again, THANK YOU!

# Alumni News

SENIORS AND DAUGHTERS OF ALUMNA



Mary and Miriam Little, daughters of Mrs. Fannie Bond Little, a graduate of STC and teacher in the Protestant Kindersgarten of Elizabeth City.

## Schedule of Activities For Alumni Day to Be Held Saturday, May 27

Alumni Dinner  
 7:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m.

Alumni Dance

8:30 p.m. until 12:30 midnight

All alumni will be admitted free to both events upon presentation of their membership cards. President Ridley and the faculty will be invited to attend. All seniors of 1961 will be admitted upon presentation of the proper credentials. It is hoped that these events will be well attended. The association will underwrite the expense.

If you plan to attend, please notify Miss Q. E. Ferbee by May 5.

## S. T. C.

I think that I shall never see  
 A School as lovely as S.T.C.

A School whose campus is so green  
 and beautified—so delicate and clean

A School, whose dorms reach to the sky

And leave me with a great big sigh  
 Schools are made to satisfy,  
 But S.T.C. My! Oh! My!

It is a school whose students say  
 "We're striving hard so come what may"

We hold the future in our hands,  
 And we will be what the world demands."

Teachers, Secretaries and Mechanics,  
 too,  
 S.T.C. will provide for you.

Many young men and women labor  
 day by day

To make our school the best in every  
 way.

And I think that I shall never see  
 A School as great as S.T.C.

By Ruth Brown, '64

## My Rose, Emily

She is but a rose  
 Sent to me from above;  
 She but a maiden fair  
 Destined for me to love.

Like a star from Heaven  
 She is to me;  
 Her voice like the singing of birds  
 Forever will be.

Give me, dear,  
 But one immortal kiss;  
 Deprive me not  
 Of the everlasting bliss.

With all the desire  
 That my heart possesses,  
 I'll love and honor thee  
 More than the rest.

—John W. Jordan

## S. D. Williams Chapter Organized

On January 8, 1961, a group of Elizabeth City graduates were called together by A. C. Crowder, principal of Greenleaf School Goldsboro, N. C., to organize an Alumni Chapter.

At this meeting Mr. Crowder gave information as to the progress being made by the college. The graduates were greatly impressed with the program, and it was the consent of all members present to be organized.

The following officers were elected: President, Mr. E. J. Pittman; Vice President, Mr. Raymond Williams; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. G. A. Cox; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Shirley Raiford; Treasurer, Mrs. Mable Isler; Chaplain, Mr. Osborne Robinson; and Advisor, Mr. A. C. Crowder. Other graduates present were Mrs. Nannie Barfield, Mrs. Viola Crowder, Mrs. Margaret Pittman, Mrs. D. M. Coe, Mrs. Margaret H. Brown, Mrs. L. T. Washington, Mrs. Katie Rich, Mrs. Gwendolyn Lewis, Mrs. Mary Sharpe, and Mrs. Willie Robinson.

The meetings were scheduled, and all agreed that the chapter be S. D. Williams Chapter in honor of a former president.

## Bias Hall News

The residents of Bias Hall welcomed the new students upon heartedly at the beginning of the second semester. A considerable amount of foresight and hospitality was shown by the old students in an effort to make the new residents comfortable, and to give them a sense of belonging. Here is a copy of one of the letters that was written to an expected roommate:

Hi! Roommate,  
 We are very happy to know you are here. Sorry we couldn't be here to welcome you, but this is semester break and whenever we have a break, we take it. (smile)

We will see you either Sunday night or Monday morning. If you need anything or want information about anything, just ask any of the girls. I'm sure they will be glad to help you. We're hoping that you won't be lonesome while we are away. If you feel a little homesick, talk with some of the girls in the dormitory. They will help you to keep your chin up, because they are very friendly. We're glad to have you. Welcome aboard!

Your Roommate

Bias Hall has gained many new students and has lost many. All of the residents of Bias Hall are hoping Miss Ester Woods, Barbara Bove, Mary Harris, Ethel Moore, Minnie Bottoms, Christine George, and Mary Cobb will come back to us for the fall session of the school year.

## Beginning the Second Semester

Upon entering and beginning the second semester, we all were filled with the busyness and confusion of registration. Gosh! What an ordeal. Also, we were filled with feelings of gladness, anticipation, and hope for this the second semester. Gladness for having achieved this much towards the goal we are seeking, anticipation of the hard work we will be required and expected to do as advanced students, and hope that if we strive hard enough and do the very best we can, we will continue towards achievement. Unfortunately though, there were some who, although they were filled with hope, also had feelings of failure and disappointment. To these I say, Don't give up. Don't stop trying because there are many failures and disappointments one must encounter throughout life. Yes, there is always the busyness and confusion, the gladness, anticipation, and hope upon entering the second semester as well the first.

—Annie R. Lee

## Staff Welcomes New Members

The Compass Staff is happy to have join its organization at the beginning of the second semester outstanding College students.

They are: Ruth Lea, Brady Johnson, Annie Ruth Lea, Thelma McKisset and Ethel Rodgers. All of these students are interested in journalism and have had experience which will be valuable to the publication.