

Choir Welcomes New Members

This year the Elizabeth City State Teachers College Choir, under the direction of Miss E. A. Johnson, has a considerable number of new members, consisting both of freshmen and upperclassmen—the upperclassmen probably drawn in by the fact that each year the Choir leaves the campus going North for a tour. They are making sure that they are not left behind this year.

Regardless of what caused the upperclassmen and freshmen to join the choir, everyone is sure of the fact that each member is a lover of music and is going to give the Choir some of his best cooperation. With these things in mind, the old members extend a warm and hearty welcome to all of the new members. They are hoping that each new member feels that he is of vital importance to this organization.

The new members of the Choir come along with the places from which they come as follows: William Clark, Battleboro; Phillips Duke, East Orange, N.J.; Katherine Eiberidge, Poplar Branch; Bobby Fienster, Statesville; Phillip Flood, Wilmington; David Freeman, Colerain; Jimmy Jenkins, Selma; Gloria Faye, Elizabeth City; James Jones, Jr., Garyburg; Jacqueline Long, Brunswick, New Jersey; Jayne Long, Elizabeth City; Joe C. Martin, Wayne; Georgia Moore, Elizabeth City; Judith Moore, Rich Square; Irma Jean McKenzie, Cincinnati, Ohio; Melvin Privette, Elizabeth City; Lloyd Sawyer, Hoper; Albert Thwait, Disputanta, Virginia; William Wallace, Portsmouth, Virginia; Lula Ward, Robersonville; John A. Welch, Jr., Halifax; Betty Lou Wilkins, Suffolk, Virginia.

The Choir would like to extend a very special welcome to its new accompanist and assistant director, Mr. Lucien Clay McDonald, who is from New York City. Everyone is sure that Mr. McDonald is going to do all within his power in accompanying and assisting the Choir as it progresses toward the future, for accompaniment and assistance are just as important to a Choir as the voices.

Although there are new members, old members, a new accompanist and assistant director, the Choir is functioning as one body or organization and is also progressing swiftly in the building of its repertoire for the year of 1961-62.

Junior Class News

The Junior Class held its first class meeting October 9, 1961 at 8:00 p.m. in Lester Hall. The purpose of the meeting was to elect officers for the year 1961-62. The officers chosen were—Roscoe Hager, president; Jasper Evans, vice-president; Dorena Hassell, secretary; Vivian Lynch, assistant secretary; Edna Scott, treasurer; Robert Baker, parliamentarian; Leonard Slade, reporter; Peggy Mae Millian, Student Council Representative and Mamie Malbon, Year Book Staff Representative.

Jasper Evans, presiding, recognized the advisors to the class—Mrs. Thomas Caldwell and Mr. William Muldrow.

Welcome College Freshman

College Freshman, welcome to State! May all your days be gay,
And may your hearts be cheerful
As you journey on your way.
Ahead for you is a difficult task,
I hope you will do your best.
Oh, there will be friends to aid you,
But you alone must stand the test.
So may you find throughout the day
Only beauty on your way.
And again my happy memories
At the closing of each day.

—Joyce M. Brown

Book Review

Our Own Kind Of People

This is a story of Roy Henderson, an intelligent young Negro man, whose chief aim in life was to get revenge on the white people.

He was bitter for two reasons: one, he could not secure a job although he was a highly skilled engineer. Two, when his uncle left him \$60,000, he could not buy any land because the Realtor thought it would decrease the value of surrounding property. Therefore, Roy got one of his Negro friends, who looked white, to buy a house on the exclusive street of this small mid-western town. He then told the white neighbor that he would sell it to him for \$100,000 where by he would make a profit of \$40,000.

The residents on this street tried to force him out by getting his father fired, burning a cross on his lawn and cutting off his water. But Roy still held on in spite of them and also his wife, father, minister and the N. A. A. C. P. who tried to persuade him to move. They said that Roy should think of the harm he was causing his family, the town, his race and the N. A. A. C. P.

Things finally came to a head when several white hoodlums and respectable white people came to his home and tried to kill him. In fact, Roy was seriously injured, and the only thing that kept the rioters from shooting his pretty young wife in the stomach, was the impulsive action of a young white man. This man did not want Negroes living beside him, but he did believe in human dignity to an extent.

When the police, who had been called by a colored maid came, the crowd quickly dispersed. Roy then decided that he had lost the battle.

About Our First Assemblies

The year began with a good, hearty family gathering. This was our first college assembly. President Rifeley gave a warm welcome to new and old students and also introduced new and old faculty members.

On September 29, the first official college assembly was held. This meeting was for the purpose of explaining our new grade point system and giving information on how we may build up our grades in order to maintain high scholarship at Elizabeth City State Teachers College.

A trophy for winning the Fish Bowl game in Portsmouth, Virginia, was presented by Roscoe Hager, Co-Captain and outstanding football player.

Since we are a growing family here at Elizabeth City State Teachers College, additional chairs are needed for our weekly assemblies in Moore Hall Auditorium.

Friends

I shall never be alone
For I have a million friends
Who will help me when I am down
If my life to failure ends.

I shall never be alone
I have friends who will stand the test
And who has friends like this
Knows friendship at its best.

Oh, I never will be alone
Even in rain or snow.
For I have so many friends
Anywhere on earth I go.

—Joyce Brown

Bond Issue Representatives



From left to right: Nathaniel Moore, President Student Council; Gladys Johnson, President WGA; Clarence Biggs, Editor-in-Chief of "The Compass."

Society News

You'll capture the fashion limelight in watching the many different fashions on S.T.C.'s campus every day as they parade to and from classes. The colors are something to behold: honey, camel, kings' blue, grill-top red, champagne beige, black, to name but a few.

Girls, let's not let all of those fabulous colors go to waste. Think of the many color go-togethers you could have if you use your colors wisely. Planning and know-how can give a drab, colorless outfit an entirely new look without a complete color change.

You can do a superb job of fashion coordinating with an unmistakable air of distinction, and with an understated elegance that represents a way of life by taking a few hints on how to use your accessories to go along with your fashions.

Have the time of your life fixing new colorful outfits out of those old colors that you presently have, and you'll enjoy being the latest thing in what's happening on this campus.

New Looks And Colors For Winter

Jewel tones sparkle the fall fashions with beautiful clear colors this year. Among the most exciting are magnificent emerald green to combine with sapphire shades of blue and burnt-sugar tones. Pink—this fall have a blue cast, a frosted look. Also blowing up a beautiful storm on the fall and winter horizon are the spectacular new colors, golden apple green strawberry, and golden lilac, with more fashion impact than we've seen in years.

The chic style for skirts this year features the flare, but not full effect—the A-shape. The top-stitched pleated skirt is another must in that wardrobe.

This is the year for suits to join the clothes rack in your closets. The newest look to search for is fitted or a semi-fitted suit. Shapes are shapelier this year in the jacket—the princess flare; the cape-like silhouette; the side button effect and the tower-torso look.

Necklines are notable for their variety—collarless, scarf necklines, built-up rings and the ever popular cardigan neckline. Biggest color trends in suits are brown—from chocolate to camel, to amber, to mushroom; bright orange-red; and green-to-blue greens brightening the daytime scene, and rich lush black, bigger than ever for evening.

There is such a thing as too many students, especially when the work is upon character and moral.

Plays, Plays, Plays, College Players Slogan

The College Players had their first meeting of the year Wednesday, September 27, 1961. The following persons have been elected to lead the College Players for the year: president, Gladys Johnson; vice-president, Charles Cherry; secretary, Janice Pierce; assistant secretary, and reporter, Marcell Forbes; treasurer, Billie Harrell; stage managers, Herbert Mott and George Griffin; business managers, Tony Ricks, Robert Sharpe, and Jasper Evans.

This year it is the desire of the College Players to produce more plays than usual for the entertainment of the college family and people of the community. Under consideration now are some one-act plays and a Christmas play. With the increased enrollment and talent, it is almost certain that they will have a prosperous year in play production.

Auditions for new members were held Wednesday, October 4, in the Little Theatre. The College Players wish to welcome the upperclassmen as well as the freshmen who have shown an interest in the club. The new members of the club are: Baker, Margie; Berry, Juanita; Boone, Helen; Britt, Frank; Brown, Brenda; Congleton, Ruth; Cordon, Eula; Cox, Broadway; Grantham, Pecolo; Harrison Janice; Hodgers, Thomas; Howard, Thelma; Jones, Van Lee; Jenkins, Jimmy; James, Adron; Manning, Mary; Modin, Aileen; Perry, Wilma; Rivers, Tynice; Rodgers, Marie; Roberts, Ella; Simmons, Doris; Sutton, Gwendolyn; Sutton, Aggie; Whitehurst, Claudine; Williams, Patricia.

Student

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rice of Keeper of Records and Scale etc is also a member of the Student Science Club.

Before being elected Editor-in-Chief of the "Compass," he served as its associate-editor. He was a representative at the Columbia Scholastic Press Association Conference held in New York City in March of 1961.

The student of the issue was the Chairman of the Lighthouse Forum Committee in his junior year. He attended the Regional IV Conference for the Association of College Union held in Florida October, 1960.

Of the thirteen S. T. C. students who made Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities last year, Biggs was one.

At the present time, he is a Senior majoring in Biology who hopes to do his practice teaching the first nine weeks of the Spring Semester.

After graduation from Elizabeth City State Teachers College, Biggs plans to pursue further study in the field of science.

Semester Struggle

At the end of three weeks, everyone is settled. Classes have begun, books are scattered about with pencils in a frazzly tizzy! But, wait! Around the campus are numerous sighs. "I wonder if I'll pass this semester," lingers Joanne. I've just got to or bust!"

You dash to class at 8 a.m. trying to learn the method of the teacher. You recite right and answer wrong. Dash to lunch at 12 p.m. and, of course, watching the diet with every bite. But, oh, the activities are attended with great delight—culture at such a small cost, too.

Nine weeks have rolled around. What? A deficiency? You write home to mom. "Don't worry, dear. Just study more," comes the encouraging reply. "Yes," you think. "This is NO place to play."

Uh-oh. Semester tests are beginning! Only two more nites to study! The night oil burns until 12 a.m. Pencils are trimmed, papers are scattered! Why the dormitory looks like G. R. Little Library! "Sue," shouts Mary. "I'm out of paper and my pen is dry. And do you know what? I've got eight chapters of history to study and a 250-word test!"

Test time is here. Pencils are trimmed, and books are closed. In the class room, tests begin. "Don," roars Jim, "I'd rather be at the summit conference!"

Finally, the battle is over. Who won? The poor heart beats . . . skips . . . beats. Grades are issued later. Slowly, the envelope is torn (no, wait, surely!) B . . . B . . . C . . . C . . . Hurrah! No D's and positively no F's!

Well, it was worth the hard work, wasn't it? Let's hope yours will be a rewarding one. As Bacon stated: "Books are to be chewed and digested." Let's hope yours are!

Lighthouse News

Lighthouse Handbook for Committee Chairmen

A Lighthouse Handbook for Committee Chairmen, prepared by Student Activities Committee, is now in the hands of each program chairman. The Handbook will serve as a guide for committee leaders pointing out the purpose of the College Union, Lighthouse regulations and schedule, helpful hints on group dynamics, parliamentary procedures, and qualifications for committee leaders.

Program Plans for 1961-1962

The established programs in the Lighthouse will continue to operate in 1961-1962. These include the Free Game Period, 12:30-4:00 P.M. Monday through Saturday, the Monthly Birthday Ball, Forums, Art Exhibits, Concerts, Candlelight Hours on Sunday, as well as the Sunday Listening Hour. College Union Day will be celebrated on November 16 at which time the Lighthouse will observe its Second Birthday. For this event the Lighthouse College Center will present an assembly in the auditorium, an afternoon coffee hour, and an exhibit by the Gallery Committee.

New program emphases this year will include a free film showing in the Lounge, the sponsoring of departmental parties for the purpose of bringing faculty and students together in an informal social situation, the development of a progressive jazz interest group, and the presentation of a Lighthouse float in the Homecoming parade.

Restless energy is weakness; balanced activity is the thing.