



## Miss S. T. C.



ALICE MYRICK

The campaign for "Miss S. T. C." began on Monday, April 9 and continued through Thursday, April 12. Alice Myrick and Peggy McMillan, the two candidates were well represented.

Serving as campaign manager for Alice was Clarence E. Biggs, a senior; and Earl Francis, a sophomore, for Peggy. Speeches from both parties were made in the dining hall and in front of Williams Hall, giving detailed character sketches of both young ladies. The spirit was high! Posters were displayed in almost every corner of the campus. Badges which read—VOTE FOR ALICE!—VOTE FOR PEGGY! were worn by almost every student.

After becoming thoroughly familiar with these two charming young ladies, students went to the polls on Friday, April 13, and cast their ballots. Voting took place in the lobby of Moore Hall.

At 5:30 p.m., the same day, Nathaniel Moore, President of the Student Council, announced that the total number of votes for Peggy McMillan was 212, and for Alice Myrick, 337. Thus, she became "Miss S. T. C." for the ensuing school year.

Alice is a native of Como, North Carolina, and a graduate of the C. S. Brown High School. She is an Elementary Education major, a member of Alpha Kappa Mu Honor Society and Delta Sigma Theta Sorority. She is also a former member of the Lighthouse Fine Arts Committee and the College Drama Group.

On March 19-23 she was one of the student representatives to the Twentieth Annual Convention of the Alpha Kappa Mu Honor Society at Florida, A. and M., Tallahassee. With her poise, dignity, scholastic achievement and support from the College Family, it is believed that she will make a student leader of whom the college can justly be proud.

In all the affairs of human life, social as well as political, courtesies of a small and trivial character are the ones that strike deepest to the grateful and appreciating heart.

—Henry Clay

For some people advice might be: Don't be yourself.

## Students Honored

The college family paid tribute to its honor students, March 14, in Moore Hall Auditorium.

The program began with "Prelude and Fugue to F Minor." Miss Rena Johnson, Sigma Rho Sigma, recited the invocation. Following this, the College Choir, under the direction of Miss E. Johnson, sang "Cantate Domino."

Awards were presented to deserving students by Dr. George H. Walker, Jr. and Mr. Chester W. Gregory. The coveted Davis Cup went to Butler Hall. This cup is awarded to the dormitory whose representing students have the highest scholastic average.

Mr. Leonard Slade, Alpha Kappa Mu, introduced the speaker, the Honorable Peter S. Ridley, whose stimulating discussion was entitled "The Quality of Excellence." The main point that Mr. Ridley brought out was that we, the future Negro leaders, must not only be capable but also must have the needed qualifications to fill the new roles now being opened. He also stated that we must strive to the place where we will not merely be classified as educated Negroes, but will be classified as men and women who are capable of competing in this ultra-modern world.

Following this inspiring speech, President Ridley congratulated the honor students and gave recognition to the faculty, staff and parents. The Alma Mater was sung as a suitable closing of the program whose purpose was to honor those who had reached academic achievement.

The recipients of Organizational Awards for the year of 1961-62 were: Van Lee James, Peggy La Rue Byune, Joyce Welch, Marvin Trotman, Bonnie Carl, Mary Mizell, Geraldine Kidd, William Clarke, Spencer Mayfield, Lloyd Sawyer, Clarence (Continued on Page 4)

## Compass Represented

Four students represented the staff at the annual Columbia Scholastic Press Association at Columbia University in New York City, March 15-17. These students were Joyce M. Brown, Stewart Vick, John Jordan, and Joe Hand.

The convention consisted of meetings and panel discussions, presided over by such well known persons as Hy Gardner, TV panelist, syndicated Broadway columnist for the New York HERALD TRIBUNE who spoke on the topic "The Recent Controversy Concerning Inaccuracy of the Press" James L. Whitfield, State Editor, The News and Observer, Raleigh, North Carolina, who spoke on the topic "The Role of the College Journalist on Tomorrow's Nationalistic Scene" and Joseph Dasso, Assistant City Editor NEW YORK TIMES, New York City, who talked in general from an editor's point of view.

The climax of the convention, however, came at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel where thousands of delegates from over 100 nations heard the noted Edward R. Murrow who gave a timely speech on the complex world that we live in today and how the newspaper helps to bind us together as a people.

It was truly an enjoyable trip and very definitely a rewarding one. The information obtained from the meetings will certainly, in many ways, aid the staff of the college publication.

# Festival Theme- "Perpetuity of Art"

## Annual College Day March 30

Seniors administered the affairs of the College on March 30, with John A. Barcliff of Elizabeth City and Archlin Jones, Abshoke, holding the offices of President and Dean, respectively.

At the 9:30 Assembly John Barcliff, president of the Senior Class, presided. Freshman and Senior Oaths were given and Clarence Biggs was presented as Orator of the Day. Representatives of the Class were formally introduced as Faculty and Staff officers.

## Student of the Issue



JOYCE WELCH

Joyce Amelia Welch, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Welch, Sr., was born in Halifax, North Carolina. She is the oldest child in a large family of three girls and four boys. Her parents, who are both alumni of this institution, are instructors in the public school system in Halifax County.

In 1954 she entered the Gumberry High School where she remained for one semester. Her high school training was completed at the Ralph J. Bunche School, Weldon, North Carolina.

In the fall of 1958, she entered the Elizabeth City State Teachers College, Elizabeth City, North Carolina. During her freshman year, she was affiliated with the Pyramid Club of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, the Thalia Sorority Club, the Modern Drama Group, the College Choir and also the College Dramatic Club. That year, too, she was elected as the vice-president of Bias Hall. She was an honor roll student for the two semesters of her freshman year.

Her sophomore year continued with her being initiated into the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, and again making the honor roll for two semesters.

During her junior year, she was initiated into Alpha Kappa Mu Honor Society, and served as a Junior Counselor. That year, she was on the honor roll the first semester; and on the Dean's List the second semester, with an average of 3.80. She also made Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities for 1960-61.

This year as a senior, she has received a many honors and cash awards. Among them are: an Alumni cash award for the highest scholastic average in her department; another from Elizabeth City Alumnae Chapter of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.; a certificate from Alpha Kappa Mu Honor Society; and another from Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities; also a certificate for making the Honor Roll for seven consecutive semesters. This year, too, she was selected from the first soprano score of the College Choir to sing in the inter-collegiate Christmas Festival which will be made up of hundreds of voices from college choirs all over (Continued on Page 3)

## National Library Week

The G. R. Little Library of the College observed National Library Week on Thursday, April 12, with an Assembly program, the formal opening of a Browning Room, and a Luncheon.

Miss F. B. Pope, former Elizabeth City Teachers College Librarian, and now Assistant Professor of Library Science at North Carolina College, Durham, was guest speaker for the Assembly. In her address, she urged the College Family to read more and interesting materials. Here in America, she said, ten per cent of the people do ninety per cent of the reading. She emphasized that many other countries, whose people have much less money to spend, buy many more books than are bought in America, despite the fact that our books are the best made and the most attractive.

Miss Pope was introduced by Mrs. D. R. Curtis, Branch Librarian of the Plyden Branch Library, Norfolk, Virginia. She referred to Miss Pope as a helpful teacher who had something of value to leave with college students.

**Browsing Room Opens with Tea**  
Immediately following the Assembly, the Browning Room, formerly the West Conference Room, was formally opened with a Tea. During this time books were donated.

Each person who attended was inspired by the atmosphere created by the beauty of the room and the largeness of individual donations of timely and interesting books, all of which bore names of the donors.

Lime brance and cookies were served.

## Annual Palm Sunday

The Thalia Sorority Club presented its annual Palm Sunday Vesper on April 15, at 6:00 p.m. in Moore Hall Auditorium.

The guest speaker was Dr. Richard B. Martin, Rector of Grace Episcopal Church, Norfolk, Virginia. Dr. Martin has been the guest speaker for the past five years.

"Are we ready for integration?" was the theme of Dr. Martin's address. He pointed out that we, as Negroes, may show that we are ready for integration by saying it with flowers, brains, money, intelligence, and last of all, our lives.

The third Fine Arts Festival for the Elizabeth City State Teachers College was held March 24 through April 8.

The Festival opened with Shakespeare's *A Mid-Summer Night's Dream*. It was presented by Players, Inc., of Catholic University.

The play depicts the versatility of Shakespeare in that there is a framework of different types of characters. The action is centered around three particular groups: the simple craftsmen who rehearse in the woods, the Duke and his concern for Hermia, his daughter, and the fairies who are disturbed over a quarrel between the King and Queen. These characters created a conflict full of confusion, but their problems ran smooth in the end.

Outstanding characters included Robin Goodfellow (Puck) played by Bernard Passinetti; Hermia, Carol Emshaff; Demetrius, David Little; Lysander, John Knight; Buton, Bernard McInerney.

Members of the cast were graduate students studying in some field of acting; they have frequently appeared in many countries in their extensive travel and have presented most of Shakespeare's plays.

## Vesper Speaker

Among the interesting speakers during the Fine Arts Festival was the Reverend C. Shelby Rooks, Jr., vesper guest on March 25.

The Reverend Rooks, Associate Director of the Fund for Theological Education, Inc., Princeton, New Jersey, spoke on the subject "This Is the Moment of Your Life."

To begin, he chose lines from the poem from which he got his idea for the subject. Continuing, he stated that there is much hurry, rush, and strain in our lives because we do not trust God, and we do not get the most out of these precious moments. For every moment marks a new beginning with God, and there is a host of memories within the heart that needs to be renewed. We need to know how to control the distractions of the world. We need God, New Jersey, spoke on the subject "This Is the Moment of Your Life."

Reverend Rooks gave two principal sources for getting the supreme value of the moments of which we live. They are daily reading of the Bible and Prayer.

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## Fields Gets Trophy in Orleans, France



Major James D. Potter and Pfc. Henry Fields.

ORLEANS, France, April 12 — Army Private First Class Henry J. Fields, (right), son of Mrs. Irene Fields, Route #1, Box 123, Corapeake, North Carolina, receives a trophy from Major James D. Potter (left), Sports Branch Chief for Special Services, U. S. Army Communications Zone, Europe, during an awards banquet held at the NCO Club, Harbor Barracks Activity. Pfc. Fields was honored as the most valuable player on the Orleans Area Command basketball squad.

Pfc. Fields entered the military service in August 1959 and completed basic training at Fort Dix, New Jersey. He is currently serving as a gymnastic instructor to the Orleans Area Command.

Prior to entering the military service, Pfc. Fields graduated from State College, Elizabeth City, North Carolina, with a degree in education. He also graduated from North Carolina's Gates County Training School in 1955.