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## Religious Emphasis Week Elijah Concert

Portraying the story of the man who called down fire from Heaven, the Concert Choir of Elizabeth City State College presented excerpts from Elijah, an oratorio in two parts by Felix Mendelssohn, on Sunday, March 15, at 6 p.m. in Moore Hall Auditorium under the direction of Miss Evelyn A. Johnson. This performance marked the beginning of Religious Emphasis Week.

Soloists were: sopranos, Jacqueline Baker, junior from Hampton, Virginia and Bonita Carr, seniors from Wilmington; alto, Mary Herring, sophomore from Burgaw; tenors, Mr. Wendell J. Wilson, voice instructor, Melvin Privette, junior from Zebulon and Phillip Flood, junior, Wilmington; bass soloist, portraying Elijah the Prophet, William Wallace, junior from Portsmouth, Virginia.

Accompanists were Miss Edna L. Davis, pianist and Mr. Leonard R. Ballou, organist, both, assistant professors of music.

At this Sunday evening service, the Rev. John B. Henderson, pastor of the Bank Street Baptist Church (Norfolk, Virginia) and the speaker for the entire Week of religious emphasis, offered a sermon on Elijah.

Throughout the week, until Thursday, services each day presented music, poetry, prayers, meditations, sermons and a discussion revolving around the theme, "The Truth Shall Make You Free." The sub-topic was, "Effective Christian Leadership in an Age of Revolution."

Besides Mr. Henderson (who was also the Consultant in 1954 and spoke for Vespers earlier in this school year), other ministers participating were the Rev. Carroll M. Felton and the Rev. George Heath, both of Elizabeth City.

For Noonday Meditations Monday through Wednesday there were student readers and organists. Althea Blackwell and Geraldine Vaughan were organists for evening services. Judy Freeman, Carlton Melton, Charlie Vaughan, Piccola Etichson, Corine

Winstead and Carrie Ruffin were among other organists and readers.

The P. W. Moore High School Choir directed by Miss Franklin Gunn, appeared on Tuesday evening with Vendetta Owens as organist-pianist and James Eagleton, Jr., as pianist. They are both 12th-graders.

The "Hoodlum Priest" was the special movie Thursday evening and of course the Week blended into the inspiring address by Dr. Howard Thurman, who appeared Friday evening and was the most recent Lyceum presentation.

Much credit is due Mr. Chester W. Gregory, chairman, and his Religious Life Committee, along with the Music and Modern Languages Departments, student organizations and many individuals, all of whom helped make Religious Emphasis Week a really meaningful experience.

## Thurman Speaks

The Reverend Dr. Howard Thurman, noted theologian and author and Dean of the Chapel at Boston University, was the guest speaker at ECSC, March 20. This program was held in conjunction with Religious Emphasis Week and was a Lyceum presentation.

"Christian Ethics in Our Life Today," was the topic of discussion. Dr. Thurman posed these questions: "Who are we, really?" "What do we want?" and "How do you plan to get it?"

The audience was very attentive throughout the discussion and gave our distinguished visitor its warm applause.

It is hoped that Dr. Thurman will appear again at this institution. Students were further impressed with the display of dust jackets from his several books, placed on display in Moore Hall through the courtesy of the Library.

More than one Statesman will be quoting Thurman!

## President Journeys To Pakistan

Dr. Walter N. Ridley, President of Elizabeth City State College joined fourteen other college and university administrators for a study tour of Pakistan sponsored by the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education and the U. S. Department of State.

The group left New York on March 7, with an itinerary which took them to Istanbul, Turkey for a day's visit, then to Pakistan where they are spending four weeks visiting and observing the teacher education programs of universities and colleges in the cities of Karachi, Peshawar, Lahore and Dacca.

Reports from the President, vice

Mrs. Ridley, indicate that his trip is so far of keen interest and enjoyment although he misses ECSC. The Faculty honored Dr. and Mrs. Ridley, respectively, a camera and an orchid, in a bon voyage party before the President left.

Dr. Ridley, who was chosen TAR HEEL OF THE WEEK by the Raleigh News and Observer on February 22, plans to visit several other countries on the way home, among them Afghanistan, Iran, Kashmir, and cities in India. He will finish circling the globe by making stops at Hong Kong, Tokyo, Honolulu and San Francisco.

Participants in the study tour to Pakistan include the presidents of San Jose State College (California), Fort Hays (Kansas) State College, Clarion State College (Pennsylvania), Central Michigan University, Central State College of Oklahoma, Maryland State College (Towson), Central Connecticut State College, Lock Haven State College (Pennsylvania), National College of Education (Illinois), and deans from Utah State

University, University of Delaware, Erskine College of North Carolina, Bellarmine College (Kentucky) and Texas Technological College.

Dean William E. Anderson serves as chief administrative officer for ECSC in Dr. Ridley's absence.



DR. RIDLEY

## Editor Elected Prexy of CSPA

### Williams, Gregory Win Post

Ulysses Bell, Editor of the **Compass**, won the presidency of the College-University Division of Columbia Scholastic Press Association during its annual meet at Columbia University, New York City during March, 1964.

The College-University Division of the CSPA aims to develop to the utmost the potentials of college and university periodicals of America and to foster the interchange of ideas among that press group.

Membership is automatic to all college and university newspapers which participate in the contests, critical analysis, and other activities of the Division. At present, approximately 200 colleges, representing 43 states, hold membership in the Association which is an interracial organization.

Bell, in commenting about the position he now holds, states, "I realize that there is a great deal of responsibility involved, but with the cooperation of the advisors, state representatives, and the member college, I am sure that the Convention will again be successful."

Bell, energetic editor since 1963 was re-elected to his post for 1964-65.

He was a State Representative of the Association during 1963-'64 his jurisdiction including some eight or nine southern states. Mr. Bell is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Bell of Rocky Mount and is a Business Education major.

Succeeding Ulysses as State Representative is Jethro Williams of Elizabeth City, who will also serve as Associate Editor of the **Compass** during 1964-'65.

Compass staff-members Ethel Gregory and Clara Perkins, and Dr. Louise N. Sutton, attended the annual press convention with Messrs. Bell and Williams.

Miss Gregory, a junior Counselor from Elizabeth City, was elected as Alternate State Representative to work with Mr. Williams.

With understandable pride, **Compass** staff-members and advisors especially and the College Family generally, congratulate these "Statesmen."

As present Associate Editor George Skinner put it, "Here's more evidence that ECSC is on the move!"



ULYSSES BELL

## Fine Arts Festival

The annual Fine Arts Festival will begin April 10, according to announcements by Miss Edna L. Davis, Festival Committee chairman.

The series will begin at 1:00 p.m. with the presentation of a Children's Concert (matinee) by the North Carolina Symphony Orchestra conducted by Dr. Benjamin F. Swalin. This will be in Williams Hall. Mrs. Mary Ann W. Franklin, chairman of the jointly sponsoring Lyceum Committee, announced that special efforts and arrangements have been made in anticipation of school children from surrounding areas being present for this event. Over 1,000 are expected.

At 8 p.m., April 10, the ECSC Dance Group will present another of its inspiring Dance Recitals in Moore Hall Auditorium. Mrs. Valerie W. Vaughan is director.

Saturday, April 11 at 3 p.m., will be the opening of the Student Art Exhibit. Following this will be an Exhibit by the guest Artist for the Series, Mr. Hayward Oubre. Art Department chairman at Alabama State College (Montgomery). This will be in the Lighthouse College Center. Mr. Oubre has made a name for his creations in wire sculpture whereby ordinary coat hangers become art works via a simple pair of pliers, much patience and energy and considerable creative genius.

The N.C. Symphony and the College Choir join forces Sunday, April 12 in Williams Hall at 6 p.m. for a noteworthy presentation. Admission to this event is \$1.50 for adults and 75 cents for children. North Carolina Symphony Season Tickets will be honored for this event.

The Fine Arts Festival promises to be a significant occasion this year. Get and preserve your copy of the Festival program. Be sure to attend the more music, art, dance, movie and other attractions!

## New Honor Society Founded:

### 18 Inducted into Kappa Delta Pi

Nine juniors, three seniors, five graduates of the Class of '63 who were given special permission to return for the induction service, and one member of the College Faculty, Miss Edna L. Davis, assistant professor of music, were inducted into Kappa Delta Chapter of Kappa Delta Pi Honor Society on February 8.

This is the newest on-campus honor society and represents the field of education.

Charter members and elected officers are, juniors—Otha Sydner, president (Sydner is also president of the M. C. n's Government Association); Gwendolyn Sutton, vice-president; Dorothy Baker, secretary; Beulah Parker, treasurer; Van Lee James, reporter; Elsie Jones, historian; Mary Mizelle, Claudine Whitehurst, and Delta Melton.

Dr. J. Richard McElhenny, executive secretary-treasurer of Kappa Delta Pi, officiated at the ceremonies and was speaker for the occasion. One of the five members of the Class of '63 inducted, two are attending graduate school and three are employed. John W. Jordan is studying at Columbia University and Leonard A. Slade is at Virginia State College, Petersburg, where he is also serving as an assistant instructor in English. Both are working toward the master's degree in English.

George Patterson, at Unity High School (Staeville) and Jasper D. Evans at Carver High School (Mount Olive) are teachers in North Carolina. Patrick Reese is working for AID (Agency for International Development), Washington, D.C.

Dr. George H. Walker, Jr., director of the Area of Education and himself a Society member, conducted the initiation service which was witnessed by several guests, including counselors for KDP chapters at East Carolina College and at Hampton Institute. President Walter N. Ridley, also a KDP member, presided at the Installation Dinner in Lane Dining Hall. Congratulations to all of the new scholars.

## Statesmen Receives Honors

The annual Honor's Night program in Moore Hall Auditorium, March 4, revealed considerable scholastic aptitude among the student body. Presiding was Mr. T. S. Jackson, co-chairman of the Department of Education and chairman of the Honors and Awards Committee.

The awards and Statesmen receiving them: **Alumni Scholarship**—Edward E. Bryant, Pryms M. Tabron; **Alpha Kappa Alpha, Delta Theta Chapter**—Izola Young; **Alpha Kappa Alpha, Zeta Kappa Omega Chapter**—Ruby Best; **Elizabeth Strickland, Alpha Kappa Mu Honor Society Trophies**—Joycelyn M. Berry, Sandra J. Trotman; **Art Faculty**—Andrew Hamlett.

Also, **College Choir**—Geraldine Vaughan; **Delta Sigma Theta, Delta Chi Chapter**—Joycelyn M. Berry; **Delta Sigma Theta, Elizabeth City Alumnae Chapter**—Beulah Parker; **Education Department**—Carlton C. Melton; **English Department, Major Award**—Thelma J. Howard; **English Department, Freshman Award**—Sandra J. Trotman.

Also, **Florence Fowlkes Lanier Award**—Charlie Vaughan; **Marion Social, Literary, and Art Club**—Sandra J. Trotman; **Music Faculty**—Geraldine Vaughan; **Department of Physical Sciences and Mathematics**—Alexander Jean; **Social Sciences Department**—Pean Rowlett; **Social Science Department**—Pean Rowlett; **Social Science Department**—Pean Rowlett.

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