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College Choir Returns From Triumphant Tour

Under the direction of Miss Evelyn A. Johnson the Elizabeth City State College Choir has returned from a tour which included appearances in Disputanta, Virginia, Ball Timors, Maryland, Brooklyn and Beacon, New York.

The Choir, fresh from a distinguished performance of Mendelssohn's "Elijah" on campus with the full North Carolina Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Benjamin Swalin, continued meriting ovations from listeners during a tour whose musical fare included compositions from the masters, Broadway favorites, and folk-song arrangements.

In Baltimore's new \$5,000,000 Harlan Park Junior High School, the Choir was the first such concert group to appear. An audience upwards of 1000 demanded encore after encore and expressed delight in the tour singing of Melvin Private, a junior from Elizabeth City.

Similar accolades greeted the efforts of the 40-voice group in appearances before capacity audiences at J. E. J. Moore High School, Disputanta, and Beason, New York, High School where once more they were a "first" in that school's concert presentations. At Mount Sinai Baptist Church in

Brooklyn as elsewhere, Betty Lou Wilkins, junior from Suffolk, Va., elicited praise for her soprano solos as did Joycelyn Berry, a freshman from Elizabeth City, and baritone William Wallace, a junior from Portsmouth, Virginia.

Miss Edna L. Davis of the State College Music Faculty was piano accompanist for the group and Mr. Carl M. Franklin, also of the faculty, served as tour manager.

Miss Johnson reports that hospitality was unlimited for her charges and that the tour, though rigorous, was a valuable educational experience for the students. The four-day journey ended with a trip to the World's Fair.

Representatives Attend Honor Society Confab

Marcell Forbes, Norris Francis, and Otha Sydnor allocated two days of their Easter vacation to attend the Alpha Kappa Mu Honor Society's National Convention on March 27-28 at Hampton Institute, Hampton, Virginia.

The students represented the Alpha

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Commencement, Sunday, May 24 UCLA Professor to Address Graduates of Alma Mater

Spring Concert Marks Beginning of Commencement Week

The Concert Choir, recently returned from an extended eastern tour, appeared in its annual Spring Concert, Sunday May 17, marking another event in the seventeenth Commencement Season. Miss Evelyn A. Johnson conducted with Miss Edna L. Davis serving as accompanist and Wilson M. Bryant '64 as Student Accompanist.

Bryant, an English major from Elizabeth City, joined with three Elementary Education majors (all Glass of '64) in a Senior Piano-Organ Recital on May 20 in Moore Auditorium. Those in Elementary Ed. were Bonita Carr of Wilmington, Carlton Melton of Abokseki and Phyllis Wright of Newport News, Va.

Summer Session Begins June 15

This year's summer session offers you an opportunity to:

- Take required courses in order to graduate earlier.
- Study with more mature people.
- Receive your present certificate to the next level.
- Work toward a bachelors degree.
- Work on educational problems in which you are interested.

Take refresher courses.
Renew your present certificate.
Take foundation courses in Library Service.

The six-week session is from June 15-July 24. The three week session is from July 27-August 14. There will be workshops for teachers and prospective teachers in Art, Machine Reporting, Church Music and Play Production.

For further information write: Director of Summer Session Elizabeth City State College Elizabeth City, North Carolina

Music Faculty in Concert

On Friday evening May 15 at eight o'clock, the Fine Arts department of Elizabeth City State College presented its music faculty and guest artists in concert.

Visiting artists featured were Jeanette Brown, soprano. Mrs. Brown is soloist for the Candlelight Concerts held annually at Williamsburg and for the Peninsula Church Society. She has sung in various eastern cities and in England over the BBC.

Linda and William Whitson, members of the Richmond and Norfolk Symphony Orchestras are both active recitalists. Mrs. Whitson plays the French Horn and Mr. Whitson is a violinist.

John Scott, oboist, is Bandmaster at P. W. Moore High School, Elizabeth City, and is a graduate of Virginia State College.

Members of the music faculty participating were Miss Evelyn A. Johnson, director of the Concert Choir and chairman of the Fine Arts De-

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WENDELL P. JONES

Wendell P. Jones, Associate Professor of Education at the University of California at Los Angeles, a distinguished graduate of Elizabeth City State College, will address approximately 146 graduates of his Alma Mater at Commencement on Sunday, May 24, at 3:30 P.M.

A 1940 graduate of the College, he received his M.A. from Atlanta University and Ph. D. in 1957 from the University of Chicago. He has distinguished himself as a teacher, worker, and consultant in African Education.

Dr. Jones was Dean at Elizabeth City until 1953. He has visited, ob-

Scholarships Offered In In-Service Summer Institute Program

Scholarships for twenty-five to thirty teachers attending the Elizabeth City State College 1964 Summer Session will be offered in an In-Service Summer Institute Program June 15 to July 24.

The program is designed to meet the needs of:

- (a) Teachers who have not attended college in recent years and/or have notable academic deficiencies.
- (b) Teachers who have less than a Class A certificate provided such teachers meet the admission requirements of the college.
- (c) Teachers who desire to broaden their backgrounds.
- (d) All other teachers.

Under the co-sponsorship of the college and the Special In-Service Teacher Education Program of the State of North Carolina teachers may receive scholarships, depending upon the number of hours taken, to cover slightly more than half the \$140.00 initial cost of a six-week boarding students fees. For non-boarding students most of the cost would be covered for recipients.

Teachers who meet the admission requirements of the College and the criteria set up by the State of North Carolina, may take work at the College in the following areas: English, Economics, History, Geography, and Music Appreciation.

Teachers wishing further information or wishing to apply should write to the Director of the Summer Session, Elizabeth City State College, Elizabeth City, North Carolina.

served, and worked with educational, social, and cultural developments in many African countries. He has served as senior member of the African Studies Center Advisory Committee at the University of California, as a Program Specialist on the Development of Education in Africa, as program Director for the Peace Corps "Teachers for Nigeria" training project at UCLA and has directed two education programs in Nigeria conducted by UCLA.

Our Alumni received the Distinguished Teaching Award of UCLA in 1963 and is a member of the Committee on International Exchange of Persons and of the Board of Directors of Agricultural Technical Assistance Foundation.

Vice-Pres. Alumni Ass'n. to Speak At Baccalaureate

Baccalaureate Services at Elizabeth City State College will take place at 10:30 the morning of Commencement, Sunday, May 24. The annual program "The Litany of Light" will be presented at this time.

Guest speakers on the program will be Calvin Paschall, a 1948 graduate of the college, vice-president of the Alumni Association and the principal of the Kittrell Graded School, Kittrell, North Carolina and Otha Sydnor, the incoming president of the Student Council. Sydnor, a junior, is a Business Education Major, an honor student and is a graduate of East End High School, South Hill, Virginia.

Others participating on the program will be Dr. William E. Anderson, Dean of the College, and President Walter N. Ridley.

Student Scientists Attend Conference In Jersey City

Two science majors at Elizabeth City State College presented research papers at the 18th Annual Eastern Colleges Science Conference, held April 29 through May 2, at Jersey City State College in Jersey City, New Jersey.

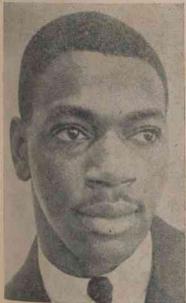
Robert Dean Thomas, a Chemistry student from Canton, North Carolina read a paper on "Boiler Water Softening at Elizabeth City State College." Thomas is a student of Dr. Abraham Wei.

Beulah M. Parker, a Biology major from Hobgob, North Carolina, gave results of her research on "Comparison of Cardiovascular Test Scores of Female Students at Elizabeth City State College with the National Standard for Cardiovascular Efficiency of Female College Students in the United States."

Miss Parker is a student of Dr. Emily Horrington, Chairman of the Biology Department.

According to the April 29 Exemplar (Student newspaper at JCSO) 400 colleges were represented and lectured by such people as Dr. Alexander S. Wiener "co-discoverer (with Karl Landsteiner) of the RH factor on blood."

Sydnor Heads Student Council; Betty Reigns as Campus Queen



OTHA SYDNOR

Otha Sydnor, a junior Business Education major from South Hill, Virginia, holds the top post among student leaders for 1964-65.

Sydnor came, saw, and conquered. Undoubtedly he came, assuredly he saw, and there is evidence that he has conquered many positions since his enrollment. As a Freshman, Sydnor rendered service as a dormitory counselor, made the Dean's list, and was recipient of the Alumni Scholarship Award.

The moving finger writes, and having written moves on. The record written during Otha's sophomore year was quite impressive. Having successfully adjusted himself to College life, he was appointed Student Assistant to the Dean of Men. He was also selected "Man of the Year," and entered Greeland via Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity.

The distinct mark of leadership carried vividly on Sydnor during his senior year at "State." Presently, he is president of the Men's Government Association, president of Kappa Delta Phi Honor Society and is a member of

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BETTY LOU WILKINS

Betty Lou Wilkins, a junior Art Major from Suffolk, Virginia, will reign as "Miss State College of 1964-65."

Beauty, poise, charm, talent, and intelligence are only a few of the words which can be used in reference to the newly elected "Miss Elizabeth City State College."

Betty is an honor graduate of East Suffolk High School. Since her enrollment in "State," she has displayed charm, musical talent, and intellectual ability which undoubtedly qualifies her for the "crown" she now wears. Her qualities can be seen as she paints a picture in her art class, sings a solo for the College Choir, walks across campus, doing assignments in the Library, or while charmingly engaging in conversation with fellow colleagues.

Betty has been a "Miss" for three years, namely, "Miss Freshman Class of '61," "Miss Lamposdas Club in '62," and "Miss Omega Psi Phi of '64." In addition to the "Misses," she has actively participated as a member of the Concert Choir, College

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