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BISHOP TUTTLE SCHOOL

The Tuttle School is more active this year in every part of the school life than ever before and has been more rich in inspiration too. Rev. John W. Suter, Jr., came to us for a Quiet Day—only he let us talk to him as much as we wanted to and answered all our questions. Mr. Frank Nichols paid one of his ever helpful visits, and Mr. Robert Bagnall gave us a splendid talk on problems as they are worked with by the N. A. A. C. P., and Mr. T. Arnold Hill and Mr. John Dancy have discussed the approach from the Urban League. It has all helped us to see how wide the field is before us.

Two of the girls went to the Student Volunteer Convention at Buffalo, and it seems to have opened doors for us all into tremendous areas of world-wide interests and of personal contacts of the greatest value. Five others have attended a following Retreat at the University at Chapel Hill, second in power only to the Convention itself. It has been a great experience to come in touch with Dr. T. Z. Koo.

The Community House grows in value and in possibilities—and in beauty as it shines in white paint. How we are to keep it going through the summer is the question that faces us now.

The vacancy on our staff has been most helpfully filled by Miss Gertrude Acheson who has thrown herself into the work of the whole school with a vigor that strengthens us all. The mid-year examinations are over, and we have made a new schedule for the next semester that provides some electives, an important forward step. We are also looking forward to two courses from men who come to us from Duke University.

B. R.

EPIPHANY SERVICE

The Epiphany service marked the close of the many celebrations centered around Christmas. The students and their friends gathered in the chapel to worship again with the Wise Men as they followed the guiding star to the Christ Child and brought their gifts to him. The whole service, observed as it was by peoples of several races, made one realize anew that the same guiding star was lighting the way to Christ for all peoples.

The service centered around the light of the star as a symbol of Christ. So, through music and prayers and the guiding words of our leader, we were led to realize that this light is for all peoples. The final lighting of the tapers, each one receiving a light from a neighbor, yet that neighbor's light in no way impaired through the possession of that light, was the climax of the whole service.

Though most of our tapers were blown out at the door, it was noticed that a few children were among the ones who carried the light outside. Was this not symbolic of the place of the Christ Child in the whole service? A few of us in our disappointment that our lights were out hurried home to light them, which again suggests that even though we may lose sight of Christ for a time yet we can return to His guiding light, and the home has its place in bringing this about. So, with the Wise Men on Epiphany we sing—

O star of wonder, star of night,
Star with royal beauty bright;
Westward leading
Still proceeding,
Guide us to thy perfect light. G. A.

NEGRO LITERATURE CLUB

BY ONE OF THE MEMBERS

The Negro Literature Club at St. Augustine's College is purely an interest group. It is a student activity, sponsored by the Girls Friendly Society. We have had a wonderful time together this year reading "Shades and Shadows," by George Edmonds, and some of Paul Lawrence Dunbar's short stories.

Indeed we were fortunate in having Professor Fletcher of Shaw University to come to us and read some of his most interesting poems. His novel, "The Stagnant Pool," which is to be released in April, will be of great interest to us.

On Sunday afternoon, January 10, 1932, members and friends of the club gathered in the living room of Cheshire Building. The program began with the group singing "Lift Every Voice and Sing" followed by a talk on the "Origin of the Negro Spiritual," a contralto solo, and a reading. Professor Caldwell led the group in singing "We Are Climbing Jacob's Ladder."

Miss Mary K. Kirk, our capable Girls' Friendly leader, introduced the speaker, Mrs. Eva M. Holmes, who told us of her trip to Paul Lawrence Dunbar's home in Dayton, Ohio. We then enjoyed the reading of some original poems by one of our budding poets. A phonograph record was played with Marian Anderson's rendition of Harry Burleigh's "Deep River."

We are now having lots of fun attempting to write some original plays.