



LaVerne Willie, Audrey Hairston, and Linda Gunn discuss the finer qualities of art.

## Dr. Render Participates In Confab

Dr. Sylvia Lyons Render, NCC professor of English delivered a major speech and served as a consultant on Negro literature on both the Denver and Boulder campuses of the University of Colorado during its observance of Black Awareness Week, February 9-15.

Dr. Render outlined the usefulness of Afro-American literature in promoting interracial understanding in the United States. She is a recognized authority on Charles W. Chesnut, having done extensive post-doctoral research and writing on the late nineteenth-century author under an award from the American Philosophical Society and as a 1967-68 Fellow in the Cooperative Program in the Humanities at Duke University. Her biography of Chesnut in the 1969 edition of *Encyclopaedia Britannica* received special mention in the editors' annual report, *Encyclopaedia Britannica* in 1969. She prepared the introduction for the Arno Press edition of Chesnut's *The Marrow of Tradition*, to be published this spring, and is working on a bio-critical study of Chesnut for the Twayne U. S. Authors Series.

In addition to having studied at the University of Chicago and the University of Wisconsin, Dr. Render holds the B.S. degree from Tennessee A. & I. State University, the M.A. from Ohio State University, and the Ph.D. from George Peabody College for Teachers; she is the first Negro upon whom the College conferred this degree.

She joined the faculty of NCC in 1964 after 14 years of teaching and administrative service at Florida A. and M. University. Besides teaching, Dr. Render is the organizer and chairman of the campus-wide Cultural Read-

ing Program Committee, which, in addition to providing paperback books for recreational student reading, is co-sponsoring a series of monthly programs on Black Identity from February through May.

She is the mother of Frank W. Render II, a doctoral student at Syracuse University, director of the Syracuse and Onondaga County Commission on Human Relations, and president of the National Hampton Alumni Association.

Dr. Render is a native of Atlanta, Ga.

## Eagles Upset Hampton 105-71

By ROBERT C. BELL, JR.

Hampton Institute, was the scene of one of the most outstanding victories of the season for the NCC Eagles. The Eagles at this point have gained a new outlook on chances of entering the CIAA Tournament in Greensboro. A devastating press produced this victory for the Eagles.

Pete Pridgen led the Eagles' hardwoodmen in scoring with 28 points followed by Dennis Robinson with 15, and Ronald McCrimmon and Steve Humphrey with 10 points each.

The Eagles hit 48 of their attempted 71 field goals or 48%. The game ended with NCC, 105, and Hampton Institute, 71.

## Center Reports Hour Change

The NCC Draft Counselling Center reports a change in office hours. These hours are 1-3 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays. The office is located in room 308 of the Commerce Building.

## THE INQUIRING REPORTER

By FRANCIS MAJETTE

One of the big questions on college campuses today is that of the single girl and the Pill. Many answers have been supplied by doctors, psychologists, ministers and administrators. While roving around campus, I asked my fellow Eagles, "Under what conditions should an unmarried girl be given the Pill?" What follows are the replies that I received:

**Hester Lawson, Virgilina, Va., Major—Sociology, Minor—History, Freshman.** I don't think the unmarried girl should have the privilege of being able to get the Pill whenever she desires without prescription or a doctor's advice. One reason is that she may not have any knowledge of the usage of the Pill or the effects of it and that could really jeopardize her health.

**Teresa Wilson, Kannapolis; Major—History, Minor—Political Science, Junior.** In my opinion, under no conditions should an unmarried girl be given the Pill unless prescribed by a physician for an illness. To me the Pill offers only a temptation, and the less temptation a girl is confronted with the less chance for trouble.

**Harriet Bowden, Wilmington, Major—Sociology, Minor—History, Junior.** Yes, under some conditions such as the case of an married girl who has already had an illegitimate child. The Pill is good to keep her from having another illegitimate child. Though personally, I feel that the consumption of the pill is a matter of individualism.

**Gladys Richardson, Rock Hill, S. C., Major—History, Minor—English; Sophomore.** I think that a single girl should be given the Pill upon request if she is of age—I mean over 18—and if she obtains her parents' signatures when she is under age. But at any rate these Pills should be obtained from the girl's personal physician.

**Janie Matthews, Coward, S. C., Major—History, Minor—Social Science, Junior.** I think that the Pill should be given to any unmarried girl who wants to take it because if she feels that she is mature enough to engage in premarital sex, then it should be up to her to decide whether or not she wants to take the Pill. The young lady should also take into consideration whether it is against her religion or not.

**Beverly Washington, Durham, Major—History, Minor—Social Science, Junior.** I think any unmarried girl who wishes to use the Pill should by all means be given it. This is really a personal decision that must be decided by every girl. If a girl wants to take the Pill to prevent pregnancy, then, I feel the girl should take them. The illegitimacy rate is very high and there is no need for an unmarried girl to conceive a child she really is not able to provide for. Each unmarried girl must decide to refrain from sex or use means of contraceptive.

**Linda Dawkins, Shelby, Major—History, Minor—Library Science, Junior.** I think that the

Pill should not be issued to unmarried girls, unless it is prescribed by a doctor for the girl's personal health. Since the moral standards of ladies are involved, the Pill should be given only to married women.

**Emma King, Hendersonville, Major—Sociology, Minor—Psychology, Junior.** I personally think birth control Pills should be given to any young lady who wants them and who is mature enough to ask for them.

**Willie Privott, Cofield, Major—English, Minor—Psychology, Senior.** I think that when an unmarried girl has decided how she desires to live her life, and if she can afford to finance her activities, the Pill should be made available to her. Consideration should be given to the unmarried girl who is unable to use good judgment in carrying out her activities and cannot afford to secure the Pill. If these provisions were provided for the unmarried girl, maybe the large number of illegitimate births and abortions would be reduced.

**Janie Brooks, Asheville, Major—Sociology, Minor—Preschool Education, Junior.** I feel that this is a question that should be left up to each individual girl. However, I can see some of the advantages in giving the Pill to single girls. It would help to eliminate many unwanted babies who can only receive hate and rejection from one parent. Also, it might relieve some of the psychological tension associated with the guilt that she may feel in conceiving an ille-

## Did You Know?

The first Negroes in America, the twenty who were brought to Jamestown Virginia on a Dutch ship in 1619, were treated as indentured servants rather than as slaves. For 40 years, they accumulated land, voted, testified in court and mingled with whites on a basis of equality. At least one Negro imported and paid for a white servant whom he held for some years in "indentured servitude."

Georgia, founded in 1733, was the last of the American colonies and the only one, North or South, in which slavery was originally forbidden by law. But a favorite toast of slave-hungry planters was, "Here's to the one thing needful," and the law was repealed in 1750.

Charleston's Negro sweeps, according to labor historian David Saloss, were the first workmen in America to strike. In 1761, the sweeps "had the insolence" to refuse to work "unless their exorbitant demands were complied with."

## Yearbook Goes To Press

January 20 marked a milestone for Edgar Grier and other members of *The Eagle* staff. According to an announcement released from the yearbook, the 1969 *Eagle* went to press on that day.

Because of the initiative of Edgar and his staff, the 1969 *Eagle* is rumored to be the best and most elaborate ever. Many improvements and additions have been made over last year's annual. More color has been used and more attention has been centered on student activities.

If an unmarried girl wants the Pill, I think she should have the right to get it.

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