

# Letters From A Wife Abroad

On Board the M—S Italia Darling,  
We left this morning at 8:15 for Southampton and the Italia. This is my last letter to you, I'll mail this at LeHarve at 9 p.m. At 12, midnight we head for the open sea. The steward aboard says that we'll dock in the New York harbor next Wednesday at 6 a. m. The crew is German and they are very sure of themselves; they all say, "We are never behind schedule". Hope they are right this time.

I can hardly believe that my most enjoyable summer vacation is over. The time has slipped by on wings, now it is back to the grind for me, but as you say, I will always have my memories of this glorious summer. Before the grind however, I plan to enjoy to the hilt this floating palace and the superb service which we have experienced from the time we set foot aboard. I am back with Ruth and Pauline, I lost Daisy in the transfer but we have a girl with us who was our table mate on the Argentina. Although there are four of us in the stateroom, we have plenty of room to move around in, we have a private bathroom and wonder of wonders, usable tissue. Pauline is regretting that she didn't bring back a collection of tissue from each country for her scrapbook. I didn't find out until we were leaving France that there were two sides to theirs (woe is me).

Our deck-chairs and colorful blankets were all in place and ready for us on the Upper Promenade; the ship's library, the lounge, the bar and the game room are on this deck too. The furniture is luxurious and the matching draw drapes are soft and pleasing to the eye. The dining room which is four decks down is the beauty spot on the ship and you have never tasted such delicious food. The huge table of hor d'oeuvres is a work of art, it is a shame to disarrange it but the waiters are delighted to serve you and you must be careful to request only a small portion from that table for there are four more courses for you to partake of and the waiters are really hurt when you don't enjoy each one. There is an "air" about everything that is delightful, you are so glad that you are a part of it all.

We caught the elevator to go down to the in-door swimming pool which is seven floors down. I don't believe anyone is going to use the deck swimming pool on this trip for it is quite chilly but two of our girls and one man went swimming this afternoon indoors. Just like the rest of the ship the pool is "THE BERRIES". The whole floor is tiled but the water in the pool

is stimulating ocean water. Wish I had brought my bathing suit but then there is "my hair" and in this ritzy atmosphere one has to look her best. The cleaning and pressing service is doing a rushing business, I have brought out my new skirt which I bought in Paris and the Belgian blouse, for everyone dresses for dinner. There is a table of white kids near us who really "dress" but they were the only ones in the dining room in evening clothes. Everyone else looks as pretty as she can.

The Pursur has planned something for almost every minute of the time: Bouillon at 10:30 served on deck, brass music at 11, lunch at 11:30, deck games until 3, tea concert at 4, movies at 5, musical cocktail hour at 5:45, dinner at 6:30 and a special entertainment for the evening. The Gift Shop located in the Foyer on Upper Promenade opened at 4 o'clock and you would have thought we had forgotten to buy any gifts while on the continent. We bought her out in a few minutes. I bought a little Scottie running after a ball on his nose for Carl's baby. Is it cute?

Sandwiched in between all the planned activities are bridge and canasta games. Daisy has played in some of the National Tournaments, so I heard. I watched the game for a few minutes, she plays an astute game. No one has asked me to play yet for which I am thankful. I have a lot more exploring I want to do.

The Captain has been down to greet us and was gracious enough to pose with Dolly. There is something to this of being sure of yourself and your relationship to others. Try to get down to the pier in time to see us come in, that must be a thrilling sight for we have seen people laughing, shouting and crying when the

ship hove into sight. I wish I could see this ship come in, if she is as beautiful on the outside as she is on the inside, she is a real beauty.

Oh, No! something just brushed against the lining of my stomach! Al told me to eat plenty so that when I had to reach, I'd have something to get; I fear I'd better ring for a sandwich.

Until Wednesday poor me, that seems a year from now!

## Theology Alumni Plan Annual Meet April 8

RALEIGH  
The thirteenth annual observance of Theological Alumni Day will be held Wednesday April 8, at Shaw University in University Church. Dr. William Stuart Nelson of Washington, D. C., Dean of Howard University will be the speaker. He will address the Theological Alumni, Students and Faculty of Shaw University at a meeting to be held Wednesday, morning at 11:00 o'clock in University Church. The public is invited to attend.

The observance will formally begin with a Theological Alumni Dinner on Tuesday April 7, at 8:00 p. m. in the University dining hall.

Dr. Nelson was the first Negro president of Shaw University, and served in that capacity from 1931 to 1936, leaving to become President of Dillard University in New Orleans, La. He has recently traveled extensively in India, and lectured at the University of India.

## Hill Community Center An Informal Glance At The W. D.

BY MRS. M. E. JOHNSON

After a dreary week of over-cast skies, the sun suddenly appeared this weekend, bringing with it, not only dry weather, but also beautiful balmy spring like temperatures. Boys and girls began thinking of getting outdoors for some kite flying, some softball, some just plain strolling. We adults began eyeing the new blades pushing up through our barren lawns. Bright gold jonquills, and fragrant grape hyacinths, along with beautiful azaleas crept very quietly into magnificent bloom. Yes, 'tis spring, and all around us new life is beginning to stir. We saw a snake, heard the gentle song of a thrush, and even saw a new UHF television antenna pushing up over the cluttered scene.

Here at the Center, the winter activities are, with a view to getting more outdoor activity. The ping pong balls are still whizzing to and fro over the nets as the boys and girls put the finishing touches to their technique, with the hope that they will be successful in the forthcoming tournament. The W. D. Hill Tigers won the city wide basketball tournament this week by defeating the John Avery Boys Club Team by a one sided score of 78-46. Earlier, the Tigers nosed by the White Rock Torpedoes with a shaky 55-53 in the semi-finals.

In the semi-final game of the

tournament, James DeVaughn and Siggs led W. D. Hill with fourteen points each, followed by DeBerry with eleven, and Haskin with ten points. Charles Harris was high scorer for White Rock with fourteen points, followed by Beeton and McNeill who each tallied ten points.

In the finals, Joyner was high scorer for W. D. Hill with 32 points, followed by DeVaughn, who scored seventeen points; Fenner and Blue tied with each other for high place on the Boy's Club Team, each making ten points.

Nathaniel Dickerson is taking it easy after returning from a year and a half in Germany. He described the beautiful countryside which are so well kept and tended, that when they are in full bloom, he declares, they look very much like a giant patchwork quilt.

Linwood McNeill has returned to his old haunts after eighteen months in Korea and is being squired around by his old buddy, William Payne, who was inducted at the same time, but returned to Durham before Linwood. Wallace Webb has also returned from a long sojourn in the armed forces.

Burcham Harris is now back in the city for a while after living in New Jersey. He tells

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## A. and T. Choir To Present Annual Easter Cantata On Palm Sunday

GREENSBORO  
The A. and T. College Choir will present the annual Easter Cantata in the college's Harrison Hall at 5:30 P. M., on Palm Sunday, March 29. The concert built around "The Seven Last Words of Christ", by DuBois, will feature as soloists, Miss Lotie Briggs, soprano; R. Roderick Palmer, tenor and Robert Taylor, baritone.

Directed by Howard T. Pearsall, professor of Music at the college who will be assisted by Miss Rosemond Satterwhite at the piano, the Cantata will be presented in a dramatic setting of the Resurrection of Christ. It will also contain several other Easter anthems.

The Palm Sunday appearance by the choir will follow immediately the return of the group from a 10-day tour which carried them to eight principal cities in the East.

## Bennett Gets Engravings From School In India

GREENSBORO  
A set of 32 engravings done by seventeenth century French artist Gregoire Huret will be unveiled in special ceremonies at Bennett College on Palm Sunday, March 29. The set will be hung in Annie Merner Pfeiffer Chapel.

Known as the "Passion" set, the engravings depict the sequence of the crucifixion of Jesus Christ. They are a gift presented to Bennett College by Wellesley Girls' High School of Naini Tal, India, and the set is one of the only two in this country. The other is housed in the New York Public Library.

The engravings came to Bennett from India when the Methodist school for girls was closed. For years, the set hung in an aged brick Easton Chapel, named for Wellesley's second principal in Naini Tal.

Housed in valuable teakwood, the engravings were mounted at the Indian school in panels in six alcoves of Easton Chapel. In

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