



One hundred and eight delegates from fifteen colleges and universities, and six high schools, attended the seventeenth annual meeting of the National Association of Dramatic and Speech Arts held at The Florida A and M College. In the center is Dr. Lillian Voorhees, of Fisk University, a plaque for "outstanding services" rendered the association during her ten year tenure as executive secretary. In the center is Dr. Samuel Seldon, director of the Carolina Players of the University of North Carolina. Dr. Seldon served as a consultant to the confab. — Staff photos by H. Jones of Famece.

### Honor Roll Students At Central High In Whiteville Listed Here

**WHITEVILLE**  
Released from the office of the principal of Central high school last week is the following list of students whose averages for the fourth reporting period ranged from "A" to "B".

The straight "A" average were maintained by:  
Ninth Grade—Pearline Brinkley and Ovelia Shird.  
Sixth Grade—James Clarence Davis, Mary Grace Freeman, James Lacwell, Elizabeth McIntyre, and Fannie Royal.

Fifth Grade—Meaky Atkinson, Roy Chester Belon, Olanda Best Lauristeen Bullock, Neomia Coleman, Beverly Ann Cooper, Armetta George, Laurence Hill, Reginald Maulsby, Grace Pierce, Edith Russell, Evelyn Ship, and Aubrey Shird, Ivory Shird, Laurance Toon, and Johnny Yates.

Fourth Grade—Delores Baldwin, Joe Junior Elps, Mazie McMillan, Helen Mitchell, Eva Mae Pierce, Carolyn Price, Charles Simpson and Verline Wright.

Third Grade—Brenda Joyce McBryde, Annie Cornelia McIntyre, and Linda Kaye McMillan.

Second Grade—Mildred Best, Dorothy Cauty, Margie Davis, Betty Ann Green, La Rue Hodges, Alma Marie King, Orbenia King, Thelma McMillan, Gene Curtis Nance, Lendon Pridgen, and Jacqueline Stanton.

The following students made averages of "B":  
Twelfth Grade—Mattie Ford, Alice Ruth Hayes, Olivia Jones, Sylvester Mack, Sandra McNeill, and Odessa Mitchell.

Eleventh Grade—Bobby Gardner, Sarah Hill, Betty Monroe, and Evelyn Mosely.

Tenth Grade—Loristeen Davis, Sarah Langley, Eula Bell Lewis Augusta Mack, Mae Esther McClellan, Sarah Shird, Catherine Smith, Elizabeth Stafford, James Troy, Dorothy Wilds, and Barbara Walls.

Ninth Grade—Mary Atkinson, Pearlina Bailey, Roscoe Davis, Yvonne Faison, Zebedee Jenkins, David Johnson, Thelma Leach, Ruth Livingston, Viola Mitchell, Bertha Morrison, Mattie McNeill, Gladys Murphy, Willie Paige, and Virginia Tucker.

Eighth Grade—Jo-Ann Nellie Battle, Claude Purvis Burns, Walter Davis, James Albert Hill, Eura Mae Lennon, Ina Jane Lennon, Lois Little, Josephus

Jones, Mirian Lennon, Dorothy McQueen, Cretta Marley, Bobby Mosley, Juanita Pierce, Christine Shipman, Magaline Shipman, and John Shirdean.

Fifth Grade—Barbara Ann Bellamy, Elizabeth Dukes, Richard Faison, Maxine Ford, Dandel Gaskins, Samuel Gibson, Lulberta Griffin, Lula Marie Gore, Mamie Jackson, Albert Johnson, Larry Dean Johnson, Lula Etta Kirk, Shirley Little, Rosena McCullum, Curtis Nealy, Joan Royal, Vinson Scarborough, Loretta Smith, Martha Smith, Samuel Stafford, and Mary White.

Fourth Grade—Hester Coleman, Charles Davis, Bobby Ann Dicker, Sarah Gardner, Franklin George, Helen Hill, Jasper Jenrette, Emma Johnson, Lorraine Jones, Linda Kaye Lewis, Barbara Little, Eloise Littles, James McClain, Zennie McMillan, Ruby Mae Nance, James Frank Nealy, Mary Lee Nixon, Frances Phillips, Dora Register, Barnell Rouse, Mabel Shipman, Edward Stewart, Jr. Margaret Smith, Robert Teachey, Maga-

lene Threadgill and Marjorie Wilson.

Third Grade—Mamie Lee Anderson, Everlena Baldwin, Doreen Bennett, Carolyn Berkley, Alice Faye Currie, Mary Rachel Freeman, Penelope George, Jerry Genright, Hazel Graham, Douglas Griffin, Linda Ann Hill, Wilbert Lennon, David Lewis, Annie Little, Ophelia Littles, Dason McLaughlin, Barbara Mosley, Elizabeth Powers, Christine Reeves, Bonnie Robinson, Isaac Shipman, Devota Shird, Katie Katharyn Stanley, James Teachey and Thetus Toon.

Second Grade—Shirley Braxton, Cassie Ann Burroughs, Queen Esther Cauty, La Sandra Duke Eugenia Dick, Judson Dukes, Lillie Mae Ford, Floretta George, Carena Gibson, Patricia McKay, Ralph Nance, Dorothy Pierce, Annie Dora Shipman, Julius Earle Simmons, Richard Threadgill and William Wall.

First Grade—Robert Curtis Ballard, Vivian Beese, Luben Best, Edward Lee Burkley, Margie Carr, Rose Annett Coleman, Mary Anna Davis, Joe Ann Dewitt, Patricia Ann Faison, Be-

### Negro Farmer In Test With New Peanuts

WASH., D. C.  
Armistead Sharpe, a colored farmer of Harrellsville, has helped to test an experimental variety of peanuts by growing it on a demonstration plot, State Agent R. E. Jones of North Carolina Extension Service reports.

On the demonstration plot, Mr. Sharpe got a yield of 2,982 pounds of the new peanut variety per acre, compared with only 2,290 pounds of Virginia Bunch variety which he had been growing all along.

The new variety, which was developed by the North Carolina Experimental Station, has been named N. C. 1; another experimental variety is known as N. C. 2. Mr. Sharpe and several other Negro farmers of Hertford County will plant 20 acres of N. C. 1 variety and five acres of N. C. 2 this spring for certification by the North Carolina Crop Improvement Association.

Not only did Mr. Sharpe get a larger yield of the new variety last year, but he also got a better price for it—\$12.47 per hundred pounds compared with \$11.40 for the Virginia Bunch variety.

Whiteville Pupils Visit St. Aug.

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The Crown and Scepter Club of Central high school here, journeyed to Raleigh to attend

### Robust Faith Needed Says Smith Speaker

**CHARLOTTE**  
The 86th Founders' Day of Johnson C. Smith University was highlighted by a memorial service for deceased workers in the morning and an afternoon address by Dr. Edward L. R. Elson, the pastor of President Eisenhower. The distinguished pastor of the National Presbyterian Church of Washington, D. C., told the overflowing audience last Tuesday that "We are stewards of the greatest military victory in history and in large custodians of world destiny. We are mighty but

verly Ann George, Karen Gore, Sylvia Jones, Alice Faye Lee, Maxine Russell, Shelia Ann Shipman, Alpha Shipman and Carolyn Smith.

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cautious, strong but hesitant, good but not sure we're good enough for the solemn responsibility of our age."

Continuing he said, "The post war moral breakdown and challenge of materialistic and atheistic Communism can only be met by robust Christian faith and life. To stand to the days in which we live men of faith must remain steadfast in Christian disciplines of soul scrutiny, of quiet heart and of ordered prayer. When Christians keep their own soul they have the strength to meet the demands of the days."

Dr. Elson is of the opinion that President Eisenhower's sincerity and belief in God has set an example for Americans to follow.

Dr. Liston, president of the University presided. Greetings were extended by Honorable Victor Shaw, mayor of the city, Dr. E. L. Rann, president of the General Alumni Association and Dr. J. M. Gaston, secretary, treasurer of the Board of Trustees. Rev. J. E. Jones, president of the Ministerial Alliance offered the invocation.



GIVE TO FIGHT CANCER — President Dwight D. Eisenhower points out one of the ways to control cancer is to give to the American Cancer Society. During April, which the President proclaims as Cancer Control Month, volunteers raise funds for a program to help save 70,000 lives from cancer in 1953.

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**CANCER'S 7 DANGER SIGNALS**

1. Any sore that does not heal.
2. A lump or thickening in the breast or elsewhere.
3. Unusual bleeding or discharge.
4. Any change in a wart or mole.
5. Persistent indigestion or difficulty in swallowing.
6. Persistent hoarseness or cough.
7. Any change in normal bowel habits.

None of these symptoms necessarily means that you have cancer, but any one of them should send you to your doctor. Cancer is usually curable when detected and treated early. Remember the danger signals. Cancer strikes one in five. Strike back. Give to the American Cancer Society.

the annual Honorary Meeting, held at St. Augustine College on April 11.

The following students attended the meet: Sarah Hill, Evelyn Mosley, Bobby Gardner, Sandra McNeill, Olivia Jones, Sylvester Mack, Beatrice Davis, Mattie Ford, Roseanner Walker, and Odessa Mitchell.

Faculty members attending were: Misses Helen Branch and Louise Pridgen, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Brown, and Mrs. F. G. Jones.

The Central High School Choral Club, under the direction of Miss Mildred Jones and Mrs. O. M. Phifer triumphantly won A-1 ratings at the District Music Festival held in Rocky Point on April 9, 1953.

Also taking first place honors were the Boys Glee Club and

**Boys Quartette** This entitles the group to attend the State Music Festival which is to be held in Fayetteville on April 23.

**Revival Starts At Saint John**  
Revival services will begin here Sunday, April 19 at the St. John Baptist Church on Third Street, and continue through Friday, April 24. The announcement was made by the pastor Rev. L. M. Gooch. The services, which will begin at 7:30 each evening, will be conducted by Rev. J. R. Manley, pastor of the New Rock Hill Baptist Church at Chapel Hill.

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