



Marine Pvt. Evans L. Hamilton, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Hamilton of 113 Gibbs St., Hendersonville, is congratulated by his battalion commander, Lt. Col. O. T. Jensen, upon integrating into the regular Marine Corps April 5.

## BISHOP J. W. E. BOWEN FINALS SPEAKER FOR BENNETT COLLEGE

GREENSBORO One of the nation's outstanding Methodist bishops and the president of the nation's leading Methodist-related institutions of higher learning will deliver the major addresses during the 84th commencement exercises at Bennett College, May 26 and 27.

Speaker at the baccalaureate exercises at 4 p. m. on Sunday, May 26, will be Bishop J. W. E. Bowen of Atlanta, Georgia. The commencement address will be delivered by Dr. Arthur S. Fleming, president of Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, Ohio. Both programs will be held in Annie Merner Pfeiffer Chapel.

This year's class, with a present potential of 108 candidates, will be the largest in the history of the college.

Commencement Week activities will begin on Friday, May 25, with class day exercises at 3 p. m. At 8 p. m., there will be the Theatre Guild production of Sophocles' "Electra," from the translation by Francis Ferguson.

On Saturday, May 25, the Graduate Association will meet at 10 a. m., followed at 1 p. m.

by the "All-Bennett Luncheon" which will highlight the reunions of the classes of 1932, 1937, 1947, and 1952. The annual concert by the senior choir will be heard at 8 p. m. in Pfeiffer Chapel. This will be followed at 9:30 by the traditional campus illumination.

Members of the National Council of Bennett Parents will meet at 9:30 a. m. on Sunday, May 26 and Alpha Kappa Mu honor society will meet at 10 a. m. Following the baccalaureate sermon at 4 p. m., there will be the President's Reception.

The commencement program on Monday, May 27, will begin at 10:30 a. m. in Pfeiffer Chapel.

## Vaccinate Before It's Too Late Doctor Says

A "saturation-goal" polio vaccination program for Durham County was announced here

today.

The countywide drive is scheduled to open May 1, and is designed to bring a maximum of talk vaccine protection to thousands of children and adults before the crippling disease can stage its 1957 appearance.

The mass immunization program is sponsored by the members of the Durham County Chapter, National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis. It developed as a result of their alarm over the number of residents of susceptible age in Durham County who are still unvaccinated against paralytic polio.

The vaccination program has the wholehearted endorsement of the Polio Committee, Durham-Orange County Medical Society and the Durham County Health Department. Business, professional, civic and social leaders are expected to help organize the program and urge vaccinations within their own groups throughout the community. Many private concerns have already started programs within their own companies—others will follow.

W. P. Budd, Jr., chairman of the Durham County Chapter, NFIP pledged an all out effort of the local chapter. He said, "We are convinced this is one of the most urgent efforts ever undertaken by our community. We've simply got to make the people aware of the danger they are in without Salk shots."

Mr. Budd said that the county health department records showed that 74 per cent of the white children and 47 per cent of the Negro children of our county have had at least one shot. We must get 100 per cent immunization of our children. Then there is the group between 20 and 40. During 1956 this group was hard hit by polio. In Durham County over 30 per cent of the cases reported were 20 years and over.

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Roland Williams, fireman, USN, is serving in the Engineering Department aboard the Anti-Submarine Warfare support aircraft carrier USS Antietam, which is undergoing alterations at the Naval Shipyard, Portsmouth, Va., and will move to Mayport, Fla., in April.

Williams is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Williams of Route 3, Box 840, and husband of the former Miss Mary McPherson, all of Elizabeth City.

Before entering the service in March 1956, he attended P. W. Moore High School and was employed by the Tidewater Construction Company.

## A. & T. College Student Killed In Auto Mishap

An A&T College student was killed in an auto crash in Florida on Friday, April 19. Walker Stewart, East Brantenton, Fla., a senior in Sociology at the college, was fatally injured in an accident involving the car he was driving and a heavy truck used in the transportation of fruit.

Scant details reaching the college indicate that his 1955 Pontiac crashed into the rear of the truck at Brooksville, Fla.,

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just 100-miles north of his hometown. He died instantly.

Stewart was alone at the time of the accident. He had left the college on the previous day for the trip home over the holidays.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Walker Stewart, Sr., who live at 936 Third Street in East Brantenton. A popular student about the campus, young Stewart entered the college a few years back and had his training interrupted by a military stint.

## 15,000 Expected For State Band Festival May 2

GREENSBORO The annual State School Band Festival, to be held here at A&T College on Thursday, May 2, will draw more than 1,500 young musicians from throughout North Carolina.

Walter F. Carlson, Jr., director of bands at A&T College and in charge of local arrangements for the meet, told reporters that the youngsters represent 54 school bands and 4 orchestras which have earned high ratings in recent District Festivals held about the State.

The one-day meet is being sponsored by the North Carolina Band Directors Association. The youngsters will begin blowing horns and beating drums at 8:00 A.M., and will continue through most of the day, all aimed at gaining "A" ratings for their respective units.

Bands of "A" and "C" classifications will perform in the Harrison Auditorium and bands of "B" classifications, solo instrumentalists and ensembles will perform in the adjacent Crosby Hall.

The late afternoon program calls for a critique conference between judges and band directors and a social hour for the participants.

Judges for the event include: H. E. Pickard, director of bands, Winston-Salem Teachers College, Winston-Salem; R. H. L. Jones, assistant director of bands, A&T College; Herbert Hazelman, director of instrumental music, Greensboro Public Schools and Dr. F. N. Gutlin, head, Music Department, Virginia State College, Petersburg, Virginia.



Sgt. James R. Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Smith, Jr., and husband of the former Miss B. Wylie, all of 509 Chamberlain St., Raleigh, took part in a desert field exercise at Twentynine Palms, Calif., on March 21-28.

An artillery man with the 1st Marine Division's 11th Regiment, he helped provide artillery support for infantrymen of the division during training maneuvers.

After the exercise he returned to Camp Pendleton, Calif., home of the 1st Division.

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## Virginia Buys Land From Hampton Inst.

HAMPTON, Va. Hampton Institute, which sought an immediate injunction last September against the Virginia State Highway Department to halt construction of the Hampton Roads bridge-tunnel access roads its property, has reached an agreement deeding 53.93 acres to the State for \$250,000.

In the petition for an injunction, the institute originally named Nello L. Teer and the Bower Construction Co., both of North Carolina, as co-defendants. The school based its action on an old State statute that prevents condemnation for highway purposes any educational institutional land within 500 feet of a building used for educational purposes.

The upshot of the matter was a deed recorded last week in the office of C. M. Gibson, Hampton clerk of courts, which shows the State bought the property. The deed merely states the sale was consummated "for \$1 and other good and valuable consideration."

The bridge-tunnel access road now will become the east boundary of Hampton Institute.

Discussing the settlement price, Hampton Institute's President Alonzo G. Moron said that consideration was given to the damage to the fruit trees and to the dairy farm on the land in question. The dairy farm was part of the agriculture school, discontinued two years ago. Dr. Moron said that the dairy will be abandoned, but the adjacent land will be maintained as a horticultural farm. "We hate to give up the land", commented Dr. Moron, "but we recognize it is for a public purpose and public use."

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