

# FUTURE OUTLOOK

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## BENNETT EDITORIAL BOARD



Miss Marguerite Pope of Newport News, Va., extreme left, Chairman of the Bennett Banner Editorial Board, conducts one of her last "informal meetings" with the board, prior to her graduation from Bennett College, Greensboro, N. C., January 28th. Other members, from left to right, are the Misses Helen Horton, senior, Gary, West, Va., Lula Tillet, Junior, Edenton; and Vashti Warren, senior Severn, N. C.

## COLLEGE STUDENTS HAVE OPPORTUNITY FOR SERVICE

"College students have splendid opportunities for community service," declared Dr. L. C. Holliday, member North Carolina state board of health, Wednesday to the students in a course in public relation A. and T. college.

Dr. Holliday stressed the need for unselfish leaders as the true spirit in the American way of living.

The course designed to give instructions in social relationships and race relations is taught by C. A. Irvin, public relations of the college.

## ELIMINATE RAID PRACTICES

The War Department and the office of Civilian Defense have eliminated practice air raid alerts and blackouts involving public participation, except in coastal areas including Vermont, Pennsylvania, and the District of Columbia. Along the Atlantic and Pacific coasts such alerts and blackouts will be authorized once every three months on Sundays only. The measure was taken to decrease interference with production of war material.

Staff Sgt. D. L. Roger was in the city Sunday on his way back to camp after 21-day leave. While on leave, he visited his mother, sister and grandmother in New York and aunt in Pittsburgh, Pa.

## LT. HARRY G. SHARP, JR., ADDRESSES JUNIOR CITIZENS

Lt. Harry G. Sharp, Jr., son of general secretary and Mrs. Harry G. Sharp, of the Greensboro Young Men's Christian Association, addressed an enthusiastic crowd of junior citizens Friday night, January 28 at 8:30 o'clock at Hayes-Taylor 'Y'. Lt. Sharp is on furlough in the city visiting his parents and friends after spending 15 months in the Solomon Islands in the South Pacific. He related some of his experiences while in that area of battle. He was introduced by Thomas E. Hummons, executive secretary of Hayes-Taylor Y. M. C. A. The boys thoroughly enjoyed themselves at this weekly activities night.

## FOURTH WAR LOAN DRIVE

The Fourth War Loan Drive committee presents FREE tickets to the Invasion Premier showing of Madame Curie, M.G.M. picture starring Greer Garson and Walter Pidgeon at the Carolina theater Tuesday night, February 1, 1944, at 8 p. m. For every extra bond bought during this drive theater tickets may be secured at Brown's Funeral Home, 918 E. Market street. Dial 6109.

Mrs. Wynn, the wife of Dr. W. M. Wynn, of the Eccles and Wynn Drug store spent the week-end in the city.

## "Y" Everyday Youth Club Present Anniversary Program

The Hayes-Taylor Y. M. C. A. Eveready Youth club presented its first anniversary program on last Thursday night, January 27, at 8 o'clock at the 'Y' building. This program was also in keeping with the 4th anniversary of Hayes-Taylor 'Y'.

The program opened with group singing and followed by prayer by the president of the Youth council, J. Walter Poole. Music was furnished by the J. C. Price school glee club directed by Mrs. Gladys Hammonds and Miss Catherine McCullough.

The purpose and aims of the organization were given by the club president, Miss Frances Gunn. Miss Carrie Rankins introduced the guest speaker, N. E. McLean, instructor of mathematics at James B. Dudley high school. Response was made by Miss Berta Mae Smith and announcements were given by G. T. Channel, boys work secretary of the Y. M. C. A. A large crowd of persons were in attendance to this affair.

## WAR BOND CAMPAIGN CARRIED TO HOMES

Siler City, N. C.—Miss Delois M. Edwards, Jeanes Industrial Supervisor for Negro Schools in Chatham county reports that the campaign to sell War Bonds and Stamps is being carried into every home in her section.

Miss Edwards also points out that many citizens of Chatham County are raising victory gardens, hogs, chickens, etc., in order to relieve the strains imposed by army requirements for foodstuffs, and to secure funds to purchase War Bonds and Stamps.

Miss Edwards is a graduate of the Agricultural and Technical College of North Carolina, Greensboro.

## HON. ROBT. MHOSELEY DISCUSSES HOMES

Legal aspects and the importance of home ownership were discussed Wednesday in simple terms to the class in housing, A. and T. college, by Hon. Robert Moseley, distinguished member of the Greensboro bar, and member of the North Carolina house of representatives.

In connection with real property, Mr. Moseley discussed deeds, taxes, mortgages, execution procedures in making wills, building permits, and ways and means of financing home ownership.

The speaker as member of the legislature has held many important assignments including post on the education, appropriations and judiciary committees.

"I've gotta get a new wife," moaned Carl Frank when his spouse and radio partner, Barbara Weeks, was knocked out by flu. Rosaline Greene responded, became Carl's "Mrs." in CBS "Now and Forever" drama.

## Todd Duncan To Appear At A. & T. February 10th



TODD DUNCAN

"Porgy and Bess Star," Todd Duncan, the superb American baritone will appear in Greensboro, N. C., in song recital on Thursday evening, February 10, at 8:30 at the Agricultural and Technical college, in the Richard B. Harrison auditorium.

Born in Danville, Ky., Todd Duncan was taken as a child to Indianapolis. There he received his B. A. from Butler college, he later earned his M. A. from Columbia university. He first studied voice with Sarah Lee in Kentucky. Later teachers have been Frank Bibb, Edouard Lippe (the teacher of Nelson Eddy) and Sidney Dietch.

Immediately following his student days Duncan began his career as a voice teacher, eventually going to Howard University in Washington, D. C., to become professor of music. While at Howard, which is the largest Negro school in the United States, Duncan gave a number of song recitals but it was not until recently, when he signed a contract with Concert Management Arthur Judson, that he had the opportunity for the "real concert tour" of which he had been dreaming since he was a boy. For, despite the fact that Todd Duncan is as magnificent an actor as he is a singer, he doesn't look upon himself as an actor. Acting, to him, is just something incidental to a career which is dedicated fundamentally to music.

Todd Duncan skyrocketed to fame with his brilliant interpretation of Porgy in the original pro-

duction of "Porgy and Bess" back in 1935. Prior to that he had made, in addition to concert appearances, one excursion into opera, playing the role of Alfio in "Cavalleria Rusticana" at Mecca Temple in New York City.

After the original "Porgy"—a great artistic but originally not a commercial success—Duncan went back for a few years to Howard University. Once again his academic work was interrupted by the call of the stage. This time he went to England, accompanied by his wife and young son, to appear with Leslie Banks and Edna Best in "The Sun Never Sets," the late Edgar Wallace. The play was a hit, lasting 18 months at the Drury Lane. On his return to America he was engaged for the part of the Lawd's General in "Cabin in the Sky" with Ethel Waters. When the casting for the motion picture version began the studio asked for him but by that time he was in Cheryl Crawford's sensational revival of "Porgy and Bess."

In addition to his stage work, Todd Duncan has appeared with the New York Philharmonic-Symphony summer after summer at the Lewisohn stadium, featured on the annual Gershwin Night.

In Hollywood he has made a number of shorts as well as the picture "Syncopation" for RKO. On the radio has been a guest artist with Rudy Vallee, Jack Hilton, Ben Bernie, Erno Rapes, Frank Black, and Alfred Wallenstein.