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Homecoming Day To Be Observed Here March 9

Dedication of New Building, Address by Governor Hoey are Planned Features

Homecoming Day, annual alumni Day at East Carolina Teachers College will be held on March 9, and will add to the usual pleasures of alumni meeting social hour and dance, the formal dedication of the new classroom building, with the dedicatory address by Governor Clyde R. Hoey.

In setting the date for Homecoming the committees in harge decided that as Homecoming Day had been postponed until this quarter and as the new building was to be completed near the close of the quarter, it would be appropriate to make the dedication of the building a part of the program on Homecoming Day and to make this day an observance of the founding of the College on March 8, 1907. It was agreed also that the occasion could include some observance of a Century of Public Teacher Education.

General plans for the teacher training celebration were first made in the spring of 1939 at a meeting of the American Association of Teachers Colleges in Cleveland, Ohio. At present Dr. Meadows is attending the meeting which is held this year in Saint Louis, Missouri, where he will give a report of the plans of observance here. The local plans have been postponed from 1939 to 1940 because the completion

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Emerson Society Sponsors Dance

Sponsored by the Emerson Society, the winter quarterly dance will take place March 2, 1940. Spence Hatley's "Deans of Rhythm" will furnish the music. Sponsors of the dance will be Meta Hammond, president of the society; Francis Boyd, Nan Lovelace, Jane Williams, Nadeline Warren and Irene Mitchell.

Miss Lowe, adviser of the society, Miss Williams, Miss Caughey, Miss Coats, Miss Faison, Dr. and Mrs. Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Dittmar, Dr. and Mrs. Reynolds, Dr. and Mrs. Frank, Mr. and Mrs. Picklesimer, and Dr. and Mrs. Toll are chaperones.

Lydia Piner, Dorothy Dalrymple, Thad Chappell, Madeline Warren, and Annie Hart Boone are respectively heads of the committees of stage, lobby, post, baseboard, and refreshments.

The theme for the decorations has not yet been decided upon, but will soon be worked out.

Students Give Vesper Services

The Young Women's Christian Association of East Carolina Teachers College, in an impressive religious program in Vespers held last night in the Austin building, carried out the theme of promoting development in the World's Student Christian Federation.

Ora McHan, who made a talk, "My Prayer Life," compared her prayer life with the life of a plant. She explained that one's religious life has grown under the influence through a series of influences. "The plant grows under the influence of its natural environment; my prayer life has grown under the influence of Bible study and Christian living."

Erlene Sawyer rendered a beautifully expressed musical reading accompanied at the piano by Wilda Royal, who also furnished the music when Vernon Kuetemeyer offered the meditation, "More Than Conquerors."

The Junior "Y" cabinet gave a special number, "In the Garden." The program was conducted by Miss Lucy Ann Barrow, with Margaret Reid leading the opening prayer and Sarah Ann Maxwell, president of the YWCA, leading the closing prayer.

Deans of Rhythm

East Carolina Teachers College's own swing band composed of students, known as the Deans of Rhythm, who will play for the term dance here on March 2, which is sponsored by the Emerson Literary Society. Spence Hatley is director of the band, which has played for many of the colleges dances during the year.

"Stage Door" Marks Successful End of College Career For Senior Class

Play Acclaimed One of Best Student Productions Ever Staged Here

Two performances of "Stage Door" to a full house both nights marked the end of a successful four-year College Career for the present Senior Class.

Under the expert direction of Clifton Britton, president of the class and student director of dramatics, the play was acclaimed one of the best student productions ever staged here.

Jane Copeland, attractive and talented senior from Ahoskie, set a new high for amateur acting in her splendid portrayal of the role of Terry Randall who in "Stage Door" kept the grim determination to be a great actress and was rewarded for her efforts when "the big part" came, under David Kingsley, motion picture producer who was acted by Ward James of Winterville. Ward, handsome in the flashing suits of a producer and in full dress on his evening dates with prospective actresses, made his second hit in dramatics here.

Running Ward a close race to capture Terry Randall was Keith Burgess which part was played by a student who has already made a name for himself here in former productions—David Breece of Raleigh.

Nell Breedlove as Page Hamilton, a melancholy girl who disappointed in love turns to the stage to make a living wins the sympathy of the audience. In her first performance on the ECTC stage Nell Breedlove turned in a fine performance.

Ethel Gaston, a Greenville girl was the comedy hit of the evening in their role of the wise-cracking Judith Canfield. Laugh after laugh was granted to Ethel as she joked her way through the play.

Lucy Ann Barrow was named official "pest" of the play in the part of Bernice Niemeyer who was eternally asking questions and disturbing Olga Brandt, struggling Russian pianist, well played by Katherine McClees.

Mrs. Orcott, matronly mistress of the Footlights Club who saw in every new actress the ghost of her own

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Henry C. Wolfe Will Address Students March 5

Eminent Authority On Current Events Will Lecture Here

Henry C. Wolfe who will appear here March 5 in the Wright Auditorium, is an authority on international relations. Mr. Wolfe spent last summer sitting on the "lid of the powder barrel" in Central Europe. He visited Danzig, Warsaw, Bucharest, Belgrade, Vienna, Berlin and Budapest, holding private audiences in each place with those in authority.

In his twenty-two years of contact with Europe, Mr. Wolfe has known many people who have helped make history, men and women from all walks of life. He has been the guest of royalty, and he has slept in primitive Tartan mud huts in Volga villages, He knows writers and artists from the left bank in Paris, military leaders, statesmen like ex-President Benes of Czechoslovakia, ex-Chancellor Schuschnigg of Austria, Foreign Minister Stoyadinovitch of Yugoslavia, and leaders of great popular movements like Ion Mihalache, President of the Rumanian National Peasant Party.

Far more than the average man, Mr. Wolfe knows the tragic futility and waste of war, the social and economic collapse which follows a conflict. He has observed the hope of the Locarno days fade and give place to a grim fatalism which pervades Europe and accepts the "next" war as inevitable. He evaluates the economic problems, the exaggerated nationalism and the human imponderables which threaten to destroy Europe's unstable peace structure. Free from propaganda, his lectures are objective and realistic discussions of affairs that have a vital bearing on the survival of present-day civilization. He offers his audiences an unbiased point of view. "His material is interesting and timely."

Meredith Dietz Is Guest Speaker On Campus Here

Poe Society, English Club, Brings Noted Author Here

Miss Meredith Dietz, editor of *The Southern Literary Messenger*, was guest speaker of the Poe Society and English Club during the day of Tuesday, February 20. She spoke to the regular chapel assembly, and again that night to members of the two organizations. During the chapel hour, the speaker told of the founding of the first Southern literary magazine in 1838 by Thomas White.

At the beginning of the publication the magazine had more Northern writers but as the South became developed it became a magazine for just Southern wrtiers. Its first famous writer was Edgar Allen Poe who wrote mostly as a credit he increased the circulation from 500 to 5,000. In 1864 the magazine had to be stopped because of the war.

Miss Dietz wanted to be an editor even as a child and she said she believes that if you wish for something hard enough and long enough and form a foundation that your wish will certainly become realized. Her father was a printer and the building that her father had his shop in had been frequented often by Edgar Allen Poe. Miss Dietz being weaker than her sisters and brothers used Poe's poem "The Raven" as a weapon. Her brother told her one day if she would never say that poem again he would make her editor of the literary magazine he was going to start when he was a man. She promised and so today she is the editor.

Miss Dietz advised the student not to stay in the state and city where

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M.S.G.A. Council Purchases Flag

The Council of the Men's Student Government Association has purchased a new United States flag, and has made it an established policy to fly the flag daily in front of Austin building.

James Whitfield, who initiated the plan, along with Walter Tucker, Sophomore representative of the Council, composed a committee of two to handle the purchase. Whitfield and Emmett Sawyer were designated to see that the flag is flown properly throughout the school year. The flag is raised in the morning and lowered late in the afternoon by college employees.

It was explained that the flag is being flown daily in order to echo the spirit of national democracy that prevails on the campus of East Carolina Teachers College. The flag idea launched by the Council has drawn favorable comment from Greenville residents and was heartily endorsed by the faculty.

Students Attend Religious Meet

Dr. Nackie, general secretary of the world Student Christian Federation was the chief speaker at the convention held in Raleigh February 11. The subject of his afternoon talk was "The Christian Student Confronts the World Today." He told many interesting experiences that he had working with young people. In the evening he made a special plea for aid for refugee students in Europe and the Far East.

Special reports were made by Kenneth Nurchison of State College and by an official at Shaw University on a conference which was held at University of Toronto in December.

The following students attended the convention: Sarah Ann Maxwell, Pink Hill; Rebecca Ross, Aurora; Joyce Durham, Wilmington; Wilda Royall, Clinton; Margaret Lawrence, Tarboro; Nan Lovelace, Macclesfield; Brantley Deloatche, Conway; Vern Keutemeyer, Chicago Heights Ill.; Howard Draper, Conway; Sammie Crandall, Stokes; Joe Biggs, Washington.

Richard Crooks, Metropolitan Opera Singer, Makes Appearance Here Tonight In Concert

Richard Crooks pictured as Aefredo in a scene from the opera "La Triaviato." Crooks is appearing here tonight in a concert in the Robert H. Wright Building Auditorium at 8:30 o'clock.

Opera Star Began Singing Career At Early Age

Recent Radio Poll Gave Him Rating of Most Popular Tenor

Richard Crooks who is singing here tonight, is preeminent in many fields. Not only is he one of the foremost artists on the concert platform, but he holds a position equally unchallenged on the operatic stage.

The story of Richard Crooks is typically American in its element of struggle and perseverance, adventure, and early and spectacular success. As a boy soprano in his native Trenton, N. J., Crooks first triumphed at the age of ten, when he sang at an important music festival. Throughout his early youth he worked hard to provide himself with means for the serious study of voice. After the war, he came to New York where he was an immediate sensation in concert, recital and as soloist with orchestras.

Richard Crooks' entry into opera was in Hamburg, Germany, in "Tosca." His Metropolitan Opera debut took place on February 25, 1933, in Massenet's "Manon." The unprecedented number of thirty-seven curtain calls attested the response of his hearers to the tenor's art.

Since 1932 Crooks has been a star of the famous Firestone Hour, besides appearing as guest on such outstanding radio programs as the Ford Sunday Evening Hour, the General Motors broadcast and others. A recent radio poll found him "the most popular tenor" of classic repertory on the air.

In 1936 he first visited Australia, Tasmania and New Zealand, where he won the distinction of "the greatest box-office attraction" ever to have appeared in the Antipodes. In 1939 came his triumphant world tour of the United States and Canada, Hawaii, Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, South Africa and Europe.

Freshman Class Gives Banquet Wednesday Night

Mayor Jack Spain Guest Speaker

As the Freshman Class joyously, musically and appetizingly paid tribute to that great American, Father Time chalked up another year on the calendar of Birthdays and the Freshman Class started what is hoped will be an annual all class affair.

The grand entrance of the honored guests was viewed by over four hundred people, accompanied by soft lights, sweet music and colorful decorations in a red, white, and blue motif. Dinner music was provided by Spence Hatley's Deans of Rhythm.

An old fashioned community singing was led by Mr. A. Dittmer along with the spontaneous outburst of songs from the group from time to time.

Jack Spain, Mayor of Greenville was the guest speaker. He chose as the topic of his address *Americanism*, which was extremely appropriate for the Washington Birthday Banquet.

Lois Jernigan, Soloist; Margie Selby, Jean Phillips, and Bobbie Pritchard, trio; and Margaret Nicholson, monologist were the entertainment features of the program.

Climaxing the evening, the entire assemblage rose and sang the class song, "Onward to '43."

U.N.C. Glee Club Gives Concert

Twenty-nine members of the Men's Glee Club of the University of North Carolina and their director John E. Toms gave a well-balanced program, Friday night at East Carolina Teachers College, opening with Bach, including a group of folk songs, and closing with Schumann.

In addition to the chorus numbers there were two solo groups, one by Raymond Brown, bass-baritone, and one by Robert Carroll, pianist, both of whom were called back by the applause.

A solo part in one of the folk songs was taken by the director, J. E. Toms, whose clear, mellow tenor brought out the fine shadings of the mood.

"The Tar Heel" opened the evening's program and "Carolina" brought it to a close.

ECTC Ayden Grads Organize Chapter

Ayden graduates of East Carolina Teachers College met Monday evening, February 12, with Miss Estelle, McClees, new Alumni Secretary, for the preliminary organization of an Alumni chapter in Ayden.

Plans were made to complete the organization on Tuesday evening, February 20. Professor R. C. Deal was guest speaker and Mrs. Clyde Tyndall acted as general chairman.

There are now three chapters of the ECTC Alumni Association in Pitt County—Greenville, Winterville, and Ayden.

Pres. L. R. Meadows Talks at P-TA Meet

President Leon R. Meadows spoke on the Community Recreation Equipment at the Farmville Parent-Teachers Association on February 15, 1940.

He spoke to a large group at the meeting which included a number of the alumnae of ECTC.

Speaking first of the mental aspect of recreation, Dr. Meadows said that you must make the community aware of the need of the equipment. Secondly, he said that the physical needs for tennis courts, ball parks, swimming pools and libraries should be emphasized. Concerning the administration of the Community Recreation Equipment Dr. Meadows said there should be a committee of volunteers or employed people to be on the job all the year round.

Professor R. C. Deal Makes Seven Talks

Professor R. C. Deal, head of the French Department at East Carolina Teachers College, has spoken to seven audiences in Eastern North Carolina during the past two weeks.

He was guest speaker at the Boy Scout Father-Son banquet held at the Woman's Club building in Greenville on February 14. Here he pointed out that the youth of today has advantages over those of other generations and that they should use these in securing the more preferred stations of life. He also spoke at the Father-Son Banquet in Washington, N. C.

On February 9, he spoke to the Greenville high school students and again that night at the City Rotary Banquet in Belhaven. He was guest speaker at the Kiwanis club in Wilson on February 15. He spoke in Ayden to the ECTC Alumnae on February 20, and in Elizabeth City to the North Carolina Bankers Association on February 22.

Metropolitan Opera Star Relates Story of "Biggest Thrill" of His Life

By RICHARD CROOKS

It's a bit difficult to put one's finger down squarely on THE ONE biggest thrill of one's life because so often thrill value depends not so much on what's happening to you as on your own state of mind at the time.

My biggest thrill came with my first engagement. My wife and I were just married, I had given up a job in an insurance office in order to devote myself to music and while we were waiting for the offers to come in our budget was pretty slim. We didn't like to admit even to ourselves how slim it was! One day we were expecting a visit from our respective families and we wanted our little flat to look extra fine. Since we were not able to afford help, we cleaned the place thoroughly ourselves. My wife was washing windows and I was down on the floor scrubbing when the telephone rang. A woman's voice came over the wire asking for Richard Crooks and offering a concert with a local woman's club at seventy-five dollars. It looked like a staggering amount to us! My hands were wet with soapsuds and I was wild with joy, but I managed to keep my balance. As calmly as I could I asked the lady to wait until I consulted my calendar

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Water Bottle Found In Auditorium; Owner Must Have Expected Headache

By BARBARA KEUZENKAMP

If ECTC had a "campus vender" he'd be going through our dark halls calling, "Water bottle found. Who wants a water bottle, a beautiful green water bottle!" And maybe if you'd stop him, he might tell you the very secret secret of its history.

It wasn't told to me. I only heard it said that this particular green water bottle was found in the auditorium after the play Saturday evening!

Hum-m-m. We're wondering just what the person who brought this water bottle with them, expected. Did they expect the play was going to give them a headache, and so came prepared? Or perhaps they were so excited about the play that they'd eaten their supper too quickly—result a stomach-ache, but naturally being loyal to ECTC they had come stomach-ache, water bottle and all to the play!

Now the question is who was it? Detectives have been assigned to the case, but have so far only uncovered the fact that the water bottle was found only three short feet from the press box! That looks bad, Dorothy. Hint detectives: start snooping in the staff room!

P. S.—Owner may claim by identifying same at Miss Grigsby's office.

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Ideal May Queen

This year the custom of observing May Day with a special pageant and festival has been revived here under the sponsorship of the Women's Student Government Association. Plans are being made for carrying out a pageant such as has never been given here before.

Nominations for the May Queen will be made at the next mass meeting by the student body and elections will be held by secret ballot a few days later.

To be chosen queen is significant of one of the highest honors that can be bestowed on a girl enrolled in any college and only naturally there should be certain ideals and qualifications that any girl who is chosen should measure up to. Perhaps beauty should be considered above all things, but certainly along with this should go a good personality, for without this trait there can not be genuine beauty. She should have charm and poise and all other qualities that will give her a queenly bearing so as to contribute the right atmosphere to our May Day festival and make it something to be remembered in the years to come. Last but not least it should be expected that the person so chosen should possess a scholarship average of a "three" and a satisfactory student government record.

So when you nominate and elect a person for your May Queen just think over the traits that you would like to see in the person who will go down in the history of the college as your May Queen for 1940.

Curtain Call

Britton directed his class to a successful end of a brilliant career of four years of hard work and leadership when the final curtains fell on the last scene of "Stage Door," Monday night.

Coöperation, ability, and hard work all resulted in the presentation of one of the most difficult and most worth-while senior plays that has ever been produced on this campus.

To Director Britton, the members of the cast, the students behind the scenes, and the members of the senior class who gave their assistance is due a vote of the highest commendation for the success of the production. It reveals the result of a job well directed.

Lack of Consideration

Efforts of the Women's Student Government Association to do away with cutting campus have evidently been ignored by some ill-bred persons, for such is apparent after looking around and observing the remains of several of the no-trespassing signs which had been placed at both ends of the principal paths and short cuts.

Considerable planning was exerted by Millie Gray Dupree, chairman of the campus committee, who was in charge of having the signs designed, cut, painted, and set up. Not only was a great deal of time and effort spent in making these signs but a considerable amount of money was paid out.

When one organization tries so hard to sponsor such a drive that would make our campus more beautiful, it seems a shame that some students do not have enough respect for these efforts to allow the signs to remain where they were. After all they were put there for a reason and that reason was not to furnish souvenirs for the students. There is no reason why students should be so destructive.

If these students have no more regard and consideration for the efforts of an organization they have no place in the schools as future teachers. North Carolina does not want such persons in charge of her school rooms.

Sad Subject

Professor Ralph C. Deal, member of the faculty of East Carolina Teachers College, may have something worth our hearing in his declaration that the trouble with the world today is that "everyone knows too much and there is not enough ignorance in the world." Since the professor was talking to a Kiwanis ladies' night meeting he may have been spoofing a little but there is serious matter in his statement that "what we need is more ignorance than knowledge, more consideration of the rights and interests of others and a citizenship that is ready to learn rather than know it all."

Most of us are certainly a long way from knowing it all. Even those who know that most are bewildered in a world in which there is not only poverty in the midst of plenty but war at a time when the possibilities of plenty for all in productive peace were never greater than now.

Never before in the history of the world were there so many "Educated" men. The masses of the people on this earth are more schooled and literate than ever before. More men are equipped to participate with some intelligence in democracy than ever before and yet democracy is said by some to be fighting for its life on this earth.

Professor Deal selected a somber subject for a ladies' night occasion. He chose what must be an especially saddening subject for a teacher. We do not know it all by any means but we do know more than men ever knew before and with all the new knowledge and greater education it is not at all certain that the world is any better off.—*News and Observer.*

Privilege Extended

Last Thursday a privilege was extended to the student body when the "Y" Reading Room was reopened on the recommendation of the Y.W.C.A. cabinet on condition that the students do not abuse it as they did previously.

The Y.W.C.A. and the Y.M.C.A. provided the room for their religious purposes and they opened it to the use of the students in order that they too might enjoy their room, their books, their magazines, and their comfortable chairs.

At the present the students are on trial to prove to the two "Y's" that they know how to respect others' property and how to conduct themselves properly. If they cannot convince the "Y" cabinets of this then it will be closed definitely to them. If the students want to keep the room open, now is their chance to prove it.

Campus Camera

OPEN FORUM

(EDITOR'S NOTE: *This Department is open to all students in school here.* THE TECO ECHO *reserves the right to censor or reject all communications. Letters published herein express individual opinion, and do not represent the editorial policies of this newspaper.*)

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

In behalf of the *Pieces O' Eight,* I should like to take this opportunity to thank those who have helped us with the material for the next issue of the magazine. Let me also take this opportunity to thank you and the TECO ECHO for your co-operation and advice. I can assure that all is appreciated. Without help I am quite sure that this magazine could not stand. For those teachers who have contributed their time and advice, we thank you!

We have opened our doors to the students—but they still seem to think that the staff members should do all the writing for the magazine. That is not our purpose. We should like to do all we can to encourage others to write and hand in whatever material that they have to help make the magazine a good one. Notices have been posted and yet we have received very little material from the students. It seems to me that if they were interested in writing they would turn in something. What is wrong? Just because a story or article, joke or something doesn't go in the issue that you wanted it to, doesn't mean that we can't use the material at all. We use the space that we have and we have to use the best material that we can obtain, therefore, it is necessary that we have a wide range to choose from.

On March 9, we will have another issue in circulation on the campus. It will be a special issue in a way as we are making an effort to improve the magazine. We have several feature stories and some good ones at that! And wait until you see the etching by William Harris—well, there really is something in store for all and we hope you will like it.

Alton Payne.

QUESTIONS de L'Amour

By MLLE. TOUTES SAVOIR

(Editor's Note: Since Spring is on its way and of course you know that in Spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of what young girls have been thinking of all year, it is the purpose of this column to help solve any problems which might arise from such a state of affairs. And since the male species is decidedly in the minority on this campus, I'm quite sure some difficulties will arise. Soooooooooo in case you become emotionally entangled and find that you are unable to find a solution short of suicide, this column is for your use. Just write to Mlle. Toutes Savoir care of the TECO ECHO and you will have the benefit of her wide experience thru the advice she will give in answer to your questions as published in this column.)

Dear Mlle. Toutes Savoir:

I am a very good looking young man with possibilities but my one fault is that I have no sense of humor. Every day two very beautiful young girls send me very funny notes but since I have no sense of humor I cannot laugh. The notes are not only funny but they have bits of philosophy written in the style of that great Chinese philosopher. What can I do about my sense of humor? I know these notes are witty because everybody else but me laughs and I want to laugh too. Please help me.

Waitingly yours,
Unhumorous.

Dear Unhumorous:

I suggest that you try to develop a sense of humor. You should practice laughing every night before your mirror. Just laugh and laugh until you have a good one worked out. Then when other people laugh you can laugh too and you won't feel out of place. And as time goes on you will develop a natural sense of humor. I do hope this will help you. If it doesn't let me know and I will see what can be done.

Mlle. Toutes Savoir.

Oh yes. Don't forget to write.

Metropolitan Opera Star Relates Story of His Life

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to see if I were free to accept the offer. I was! I clinched the deal and told my wife I was now a professional concert tenor! I really think this was the biggest thrill of my life.

College librarians have their troubles, too,—and if you don't believe it, listen to this: A Glenville (W. Va.) State Teachers College librarian recently received a request for a book called "Forty Ways to Amuse a Dog." The person wanted "Forty Days of Musa Dagh."

War and final examinations seem to hold no fear for psychology students of Georgia Southwestern College. In compiling a "fear list" recently, they listed the following as the things they feared most:

Snakes, drunks, water, wild animals, mad dogs, fire, stormy weather, reckless driving, and high altitudes.

J. A. Farley is an education professor at St. John's University.

FRENCH FASHION ADS

By Barbara Keuzenkamp

Early spring fashions are gay and lively. Bright colors, delicate pastels, and the new greens are all used in combinations with the new basic gray. High style also points to the use of beige and cocoa brown for lightweight street wool suits especially when worn with white. Blues are outstanding among the pastels—dusty blues and misty blues register heavily in ensembles and sport suits.

The corset silhouette has changed. The new silhouette lengthens the waistline and restrains the hips. The "wasp" or "nipped" effect is definitely out, instead there is an "elongated torso" line which is slenderizing and graceful.

Something new out is the gilet slip offered by Lord & Taylor. You'll need no blouse under your suit now, instead you'll wear a gilet slip of silk and rayon satin. The gilet is usually of pure silk sheer, tucked and lace trimmed. The whole tends to give a sleeker look to your outfit.

Stripes and floral printed silks are popular for evening dresses. And fur coats which are being worn in Paris have loose lines and show a tendency towards fuller bodies. The front of the coats are usually made on slim lines, while the backs are pleated, gored or flared to give fullness. Gored capes are also being worn by smart Parisiennes—especially long ones reaching to the hem of the dress. These capes have a slightly military flare to them, and are likely to have wide round collars turned down fairly flat in school girl fashion.

Buyers and designers back from the Paris openings report that the bloused silhouette and narrower skirt is rapidly becoming popular. Not only is it extremely youthful looking, but is equally easy to wear.

Here And There And Anywhere

Did you say something?

There are 2,750 different languages spoken in the world.

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If Kay Kyser should ask you what ar the "Seven Wonders of the World" could you answer?

Here they are:

(1) The Pyramids of Egypt.
(2) Pharos of Alexandria.
(3) Walls and Hanging Gardens of Babylon.
(4) Temple of Diana at Ephesus.
(5) Statue of the Olympian Jupiter.
(6) Mausoleum of Artemisia.
(7) Colossus of Rhodes.

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A BLESSED SOUND

Have you ever gone into a class
And sat there like a post,
With hair on end, and saucer eyes
And pale as any ghost?

Because you're not prepared at all,
The class seems hours long.
You know the silly answers that you give
Will sure be wrong.

And then you hear the names called out.
Right down the alphabet
And yours is next—what will you do
But break out in cold sweat!

Then all at once you hear your name,
A question soon will follow,
And never in your life has your
Poor brain seemed quite so hollow.

You rise and stand with knocking knees,
And look as if you're dazed;
And then—that blessed, lovely sound
The bell—oh God, be praised.

M. J. Cowan.

Deaths

The father of Mrs. Dean C. Tabor, wife of the head of the Music department, and the mother of Dr. E. C. Hollar of the History department have recently died. Mr. S. L. Gipon, Mrs. Tabor's father, lived at Abbertsville, Alabama, and Mrs. M. P. Hollar, lived at Hardin, Missouri.

Watching The World

by

GEORGE LAUTARES

George Lautares

After three months of fearless and determined defensive action, the forces that are fighting to retain independence for Finland are withering before the continuous advances of Red Russia. The Finns have surprised the world by their virile eagerness to hold back Russia. For a while, the Russians were defeated on all quarters. The ski patrols, new to warfare, inflicted huge losses on the enemy troops. Yet, the little nation that is sadly outnumbered, is now awaiting the inevitable . . . complete subjugation by Russia.

When President Roosevelt left Washington last week, reporters were told that the chief executive was going on a vacation in the Carribean. In reality, the President's journey took him to Panama where he is inspecting the defenses of that country. The question of a suitable defensive measure for the vital Canal Zone has been a constant worry to the military leaders of this country. If the President is convinced that it is a major problem, then congress will undoubtedly procure a few million dollars to insure its safety.

Sweden, famous for its long neutrality in Europe's struggles, has convinced at least one nation that its intentions are strictly and irrevocably neutral. That nation is Finland. When the Finnish lines began to weaken last week, the Finns asked Sweden for military aid. Sweden refused. However, Finland has gained an ally in England. Volunteers from England are now being sent to Finland to reinforce its faltering defenses.

Hitler expressed open indignation against Great Britain because of the seizure of two Nazi freighters in neutral waters. The garrulous dictator vehemently declared that his revenge will be long and effective. Britain is ignorant of his threats while they rejoice over their victory.

With the coming of spring and better weather, the nature of the European war will undoubtedly become as changed as the climate of these countries. No one actually knows, but experts predict a major offensive by Hitler's forces just as soon as the transportation facilities become more efficient. Thus far, there has been very little action on the western front. Neither side has attempted to break the other's defenses. This indicates that there exists a strong preparedness on both the lines augmented by the lack of action. When Hitler or the allies do attack, the world will witness one of the most bloodthirsty and horrible holocausts in the history of the human race.

Student-On-The-Stand

Do you think that the students of East Carolina Teachers College need a course in the essentials of good table etiquette?

Lindsay Whichard (Senior): Definitely! If we don't know how to act at the table, what will we do in a classroom?

Alton Payne (Senior): Yes. Some of the students here don't even know the first thing about table etiquette. Students used to get instructions in etiquette. Why don't we now? WE NEED IT!

Emmet Sawyer (Senior: Yes. We need to know the essentials of good table manners before we go out to teach.

Patsy McIntyre (Junior): Yes. Table manners act as an index to one's character. We, as prospective teachers, will certainly be expected to know and practice the essentials of good table etiquette.

Deuces Wild

by

ASA SPADES

CONFUCIUS SAY: Boy got no girl, bad . . . boy meet girl and fall in love, good . . . boy meet another girl, still good . . . girl meet girl, boy right back where he started.

THE WORST JOKE OF THE WEEK: A patient in an insane asylum was trying to convince the attendant that he was Napoleon.

"But who told you you were Napoleon?" inquired the attendant.

"God did," replied the inmate.

"I did not," came a voice from the rear.

REFLECTIONS: There are three types of women—the intellectual, the beautiful, and the majority.

THINGS WE'VE HEARD ENOUGH ABOUT: "Gone With the Wind."

MORE REFLECTIONS: All women are alike—that's why nature gave them different faces, so we men can tell them apart.

OVERHEARD: "I think that I shall ne'er possess a degree Lovely as Mrs."

DEFINITION: A secret is something you tell one person at a time.

CONFUCIUS SAY: Person who write stuff that smell should fill his pen with Listerine.

QUOTE: "A certain hotel in New York that has many inebriated guests has trained a doorman to greet each staggering guest with, 'Good evening, Mr. Blank, there are two cars waiting at the door for you. Please get in the front one because the back one isn't there'."

IT REALLY HAPPENED: A certain co-ed was heard to say: "But the only evening clothes I have are my pajamas. Do I have to wear these to the Freshman Banquet?"

Pirates Conclude Season Saturday Night

ALONG THE SIDELINES

With

James Whitfield

NOTHING NEW IN THE MATRIMONIAL RUMOR

When the rumor about the intention of an East Carolina Teachers College athlete to take the matrimonial vows was mentioned recently, it merely gave the gossip new impetus. Much comment and speculation prevails all over the campus among boys and girls. Your columnist has strived diligently to learn the whole truth about the matter, but nothing definite has come to the fore. Floyd Hinton says he's going to get married on a Democratic platform and Dave (Dopey) Watson says he's going to get married on a Republican platform. If there was any seriousness in the remarks of Floyd and Dopey, it went unnoticed. If they get married, however, and their matrimonial platforms collapse, it's a cinch they can be sued for non-support.

SUCCESSFUL ECTC ATHLETE RETURNS FOR A VISIT

Lefty Bill Holland, a powerful left-hander from Fuquay Springs, who headed the pitching staff of the Pirate baseball team two seasons ago, was in Greenville recently for the ECTC-Campbell basketball game. Bill told the press that the Washington Senators, who took a lease on his services after his valuable pitching days on the campus here, had farmed him out to Springfield, Massachusetts of the Eastern League. Bill expects to report for Spring training some time in March. His pitching arm, which was the envy of his colleagues and foe while at ECTC, is still holding up. Since Bill is a comparatively young player, he is destined to go places in the baseball world. We're glad you're still going strong, Bill, and gladly welcome you to your second home at any time.

VISITING COACH MARVELS AT THE BEAUTY OF OUR CAMPUS

S. J. Dearbeck, head coach of the Westinghouse Apprentice School, East Pittsburgh, Pa., tossed bouquets to East Carolina Teachers College after his team arrived for the basketball game played here last week. When your reporter proceeded to obtain some pre-game dope, Coach Dearbeck's first remark was: "Gee fellow, you've got a beautiful campus. I did my schooling at Carnegie Tech and thought it had something in the way of pretty campus. Your campus here is something swell." But the coach wasn't the only Northerner to speak favorably of his environment. One of the players remarked: "Gosh, these Southern girls really get me. I could sit and hear them talk for hours." This particular player liked the girls all right, but he frowned upon the leisure of Southerners after sundown. This was the first visit to North Carolina for the coach and his players. Coach Dearbeck said one of his boys had looked forward to the trip all year, but broke his ankle and had to be left in the hospital.

MORE ATHLETIC FACILITIES NEEDED!

In a letter to the editor some time ago, a student voiced his opinion about basketball games interfering with the Saturday night dancing of the College. Athletics provide wholesome entertainment—the kind that most everyone should enjoy—but everyone doesn't. That's why some students rave about the way their Saturday night is spent when they are given only one preference. Basketball games on Saturday night or any other night were scheduled in good faith. They have to use the gymnasium—also the dancing paradise—for the contests. Since there are a large number of students who prefer dancing to seeing a basketball game, arrangements should be made for these students. Part of the happiness in one's college life is determined considerably in how he is able to spend his leisure. If he prefers to dance and is compelled to see a basketball game or idle his time away in his dormitory room, there is no gain in mental refreshment. We need separate quarters for athletics and other entertainments. There is still another side of the picture. Improvement projects ride political band-wagons. Since this college endeavors to turn out teachers instead of politicians, we cannot put our graduates in the Legislature. Owing to the growth of the school, however, our graduates could help considerably by voting for persons who have the welfare of State-supported educational institutions at heart.

DONALD BROCK DUPLICATES HIS TOURNEY FEAT

A year ago, Lanky Donald Brock, the Pirates' scoring ace on the hardwood, was awarded a trophy for emerging with the most points in the annual basketball tournament for independent teams in Washington. Don entered the tourney this year and bagged 67 points in three nights. After the scores had been tabulated, the judges ruled Brock the highest scorer again. He was awarded a beautiful trophy. Congratulations, Donald. Even though Brock's points on the Pirates' schedule for this season have not been compiled, he holds a decided advantage in the scoring division.

HELLO MA! HELLO PA! IT WAS TOUGH, BUT WE WON!

That's just the way the Pirates felt after they journeyed to Atlantic Christian College and regained the traditional Bo Hunk Trophy—old oaken bucket to you—in a basketball game that resembled a football game in disguise. Both teams got rough. Fouls were plentiful. There was dissatisfaction among players of both squads and several players were injured, but not seriously. When the players returned to the campus the following morning, they looked as if they had engaged in a joint conflict with an elephant and a wildcat because of the scratches and bruised muscles they nursed. The trophy was put on display in the Soda Shoppe. The players have recovered from their encounter and the trophy occupies a significant berth on a shelf. The game had one of the largest ECTC turnouts ever seen for an athletic event in Wilson between the rival schools.

SOME RULES FOR THE VARSITY CLUB DANCE

The Varsity Club will stage its annual dance the first week of the Spring quarter and has set forth a few rules that should be of interest to all those who expect to attend.

In the first place it will be a boy-break affair; all boys on the campus are invited, but will not be admitted with dates; a limited number of bids will be sold to the girls; all girls must list the name of their date when signing up for the bid, and no girl can bring a boy who is enrolled at ECTC, to the dance.

SHOW YOUR SCHOOL SPIRIT BY ATTENDING THE GAME

Coach Bo Farley's Pirates will bring down the curtains on the current basketball season here tomorrow night when they engage the William and Mary (Norfolk Division) Braves tomorrow night. Three players, Bill Shelton, Donald Brock and Kelly Martin will see their last service as members of the Pirate squad because of graduation in the Spring. Just lay everything aside tomorrow night and help the team end its season in a big way and show Bill, Don, and Kelly that you've really appreciated their stay at East Carolina Teachers College.

BASEBALL ALREADY IN THE MAKING

About a dozen games have been scheduled for the approaching baseball season and it will not be long before you'll find the Pirates out on the field preparing themselves for the favorite American sport. There seems to be satisfactory infield and outfield material. The need for hurling material stands out at present. This situation probably will be eliminated when new material makes its appearance on the campus in the Spring quarter.

Pictured here are five standouts on the Westinghouse Apprentice School basketball team who dropped a game to the Pirates 51-44 in the E.C.T.C. gym Thursday night of last week. Coach "Dearie" Dearbeck is giving the boys some pointers about the game. Left to right: "Stretch" Kossel, center; Captain "Horse" Marshal, guard; "Duke" Steffey, guard, and Coach Dearbeck. Back row: Johnny Hutchinson, forward, and Jay Duquette, forward.

Pirates Win One Game, Lose Other Against Two Powerful Cage Teams

Jarvis "X", Town Teams Victors

Both Entries Unbeaten in Girls' Intramurals

When the fourth rounds were completed in the girls' intramural basketball program the Jarvis "X" and the Town teams had emerged with no defeats.

In two games played last week the Wilson "Y" turned back the Jarvis "Y" 20-3 and the Wilson "X" defeated the Cotten "Y" 24-7 in a one-sided tangle.

Other scores: Jarvis "X" 14, Fleming "Y" 9; Fleming "X" 24, Cotton "Y" 5; Wilson "X" 23, Wilson "X" 13; Town 22, Fleming "Y" 4, and Town 16 and Cotton "X" 10.

Two teams, one called the Wrights, and another called the Austins, have been selected from the intramural groups and will stage a preliminary game tomorrow night before the Pirates' game with the William and Mary Braves from Norfolk.

Composing the town team are Frances Allen, Elizabeth Burns, Mary McMullen (Captain), Nick Proctor and Virginia Allen, forwards, and Louise Lindsay, Peggy Moss, Aldine Barnhill, Ethel Gaston and Mary Arnold, guards.

The Jarvis "X" team is composed of the following: Audrey Stanley, Betty Leeper, Adminta Eure and Lula Newman, forwards, and Margaret Wood (Captain), Sarah Gorham, Maude Parrish and Mabel Kennedy.

Brock and Riddick Capture High Scoring Laurels

A scrappy Pirate squad divided a two-game series last week, besting the Westinghouse Apprentices of Pittsburgh 51-44 and losing to Coach Fred Emerson's Campbell Camels 77-41.

The Pirates entered the game against the strong team from Pittsburgh, but turned out to be superior before the timekeeper sounded the final horn. Neither team was very damaging in the opening half. The Pirates, however, were out in front 25-13 at intermission.

Westinghouse made the sparks fly in the second period. The visitors came within 6 points of the Pirates' score two minutes after the second half was begun and duplicated later in the period. Consistency in shooting ways by Donald Brock and Bill Shelton enabled Farley's boys to forge ahead to a triumph. Brock was credited with 19 points for the night and Shelton with 15.

Most of the Pirates participated in the independent tourney in Washington and when they met the spectacular basketeers from Campbell, they were not physically fit to cope with the goal-shooting tactics of their swift-footed foe.

Harry Riddick captured the scoring laurels of the game by bagging 11 points over the route. Harry, along with the other players, fought hard and furious in an effort to retard the unexpected splurge of the visitors. Don Brock was next best in scoring ways with 10.

Both teams got rough and the Pirates were charged with 16 personal fouls when the game ended. Campbell jumped to an early lead and stayed ahead the rest of the way.

In an earlier game the Pirates regained the traditional "Bo Hunk" trophy by trouncing the Atlantic Christian College Bulldogs, 58-43. ECTC was charged with 21 personal fouls and the Bulldogs with 19. Four ECTC guards and three ACC players fouled out before the end of the game. Don Brock scored 27 of the Pirates' points in the contest.

ACE Honors St. Valentine

St. Valentine was honored at a party given by the ACE in the "Y" Hut on February 13, 1940, the date of their regular monthly meeting. Alice Humphries and Sara Lou Smith had charge of the games, and Page Davis and Helen Witherington had charge of refreshments. Just before the party broke up Mary Lou Butner, the president, was presented with an ACE pin.

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Tigers Will Try To Claw Lions In Big Battle

Championship Title Tilt is Set for Near Future

By JOHN WILLIAMS

Walter Rodgers' Tigers and Mickey Northcutt's Lions will battle for the Boys' Intramural Basketball championship title in a play-off to be staged some time in the immediate future.

After several weeks of heated competition, the Tigers and Lions were tied for the top-place rung in intramural standings. Both teams ended the regular season with a record of five wins and only two setbacks.

This forthcoming battle promises to be an exciting thriller and should draw a sizable crowd. When the championship game is concluded, an all-star intramural team will be selected and play the ECTC Junior Varsity in a game to be arranged at a later date.

The Tigers made the play-off possible by defeating the Zebras 28-3, while the Lions dropped one

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WAA Is Host To Two Schools

A.C.C. and Louisburg Here for "Play Day"

The Women's Athletic Association played host last Saturday to 12 girls from Atlantic Christian College and 14 girls from Louisburg College in a "Play Day" held in the Robert H. Wright gymnasium.

Seven basketball games were played in the morning and seven in the afternoon. Between games the local and visiting girls played individual games such as ring volleyball, rubber horse shoes, bowling, shuffleboard, ping-pong, ring toss, and target.

Activities in the morning lasted from 10:15 until 12 o'clock, with lunch being served in the dining hall at 12:40 o'clock. Afternoon games lasted from 1:30 until 3:30, after which original skits were presented and refreshments served to conclude the program of the day.

Eva McMillan, president of the W.A.A., was general chairman of the "Play Day." Roberta Hall was chairman of the hostesses and Rachel Blanchard was program chairman. Officials for the basketball games were Steve Wiley of Kinston, Helen Bolling of Rocky Mount and Margaret Weeks of Wilson.

The W.A.A. has expressed the intention of making the "Play Day" an annual affair.

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New Trophy

Several boys on the campus have launched a move whereby the most valuable player on this year's basketball squad will receive a beautiful trophy.

Instead of converting the plan to a popularity contest, however, they will leave the matter of the selection to the Varsity Club. John Williams is chairman of the drive.

Money for the trophy is being raised by soliciting money from students on the campus. All students making contributions are requested to turn them over to Dorothy Hollar, who has been made custodian of the fund.

47 ECTC Girls See "Big Five" Basketball Game

W.A.A. Group Also Tours Duke University Campus

By NANCY ALBRIGHT

Forty-seven members of the Women's Athletic Association motored to Chapel Hill and Durham on Saturday, February 10, where they visited many points of interest and saw the Duke-Carolina basketball game on the night of that date.

The principal points of interest were the new swimming pool and new gymnasium. The Duke-Carolina basketball classic was played in the new gymnasium. After the game, the group went to Durham where they remained overnight and attended the Sunday morning services in the spacious chapel at Duke University.

A tour of the Duke campus was made after the Sunday services and after eating lunch in the Hotel Coffee Shop, they left immediately for Greenville.

This was the first time that the Women's Athletic Association has sponsored a trip of this particular nature. Then, too, it was the first "Big Five" game ever witnessed by most of the girls on the trip.

Those making the trip were:

Dorothy Dalrymple, Nick Proctor, Ethel Gaston, Mary E. Beasley, Eileen Tomlinson, Doris Roberts, Maude Sawyer, Roberta Hall, Maybelle Pollock, Nancy Albright, Frances Nance, Betty Leeper, Sarah Gorham, Frances Roebuck, Alva Brown, Esther Parker, Louise

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Norfolk Braves Are Providing The Opposition

Two Girls' Varsity Teams In Preliminary at 7:00

A favored-to-win East Carolina Teachers College basketball team will sprint across the hardwood tomorrow night at 8 o'clock with the William and Mary Braves of Norfolk in the last scheduled game of the season for Coach Bo Farley's Pirates.

The Pirates defeated the Braves 34-25 in a game midway the season last year and turned them back again 35-33 later in the same season. When the Pirates divided a four-day series in Virginia some time ago, the Braves were listed among the losers.

Since the girls' athletic program has been confined solely to intramurals this season, the public will have an opportunity to see them in action tomorrow night. Two teams, one called the Wrights and the other the Austins, will compete in a preliminary game starting at 7 o'clock. Miss Helen McElwain, head of womens' athletics, said that it is proposed to make the girls' game an annual affair relative to concluding the season.

Coach Farley's Pirates had only two games on the schedule when they entered the current week, one being with Atlantic Christian College, which was reeled off Thursday night, and the other the game with the Braves Saturday night.

Donald Brock, Bill Shelton and Kelly Martin, all regulars of the basketball varsity, will be lost through graduation this year. Hence, tomorrow night's performance will be their last in the basketball division. A large turnout is expected for the contest.

Whether additional games will be arranged before the winter quarter is ended is not known. Coach Farley expressed the belief recently that one or two more games might be arranged.

Members of the Mathematics Club presented a program on *Extremely Large Numbers* at its regular meeting on Tuesday, February 12, 1940. Julius Abernathy, vice president, was in charge of the program. Valentine suckers were given as favors to the club members by Miss Louise Williams.

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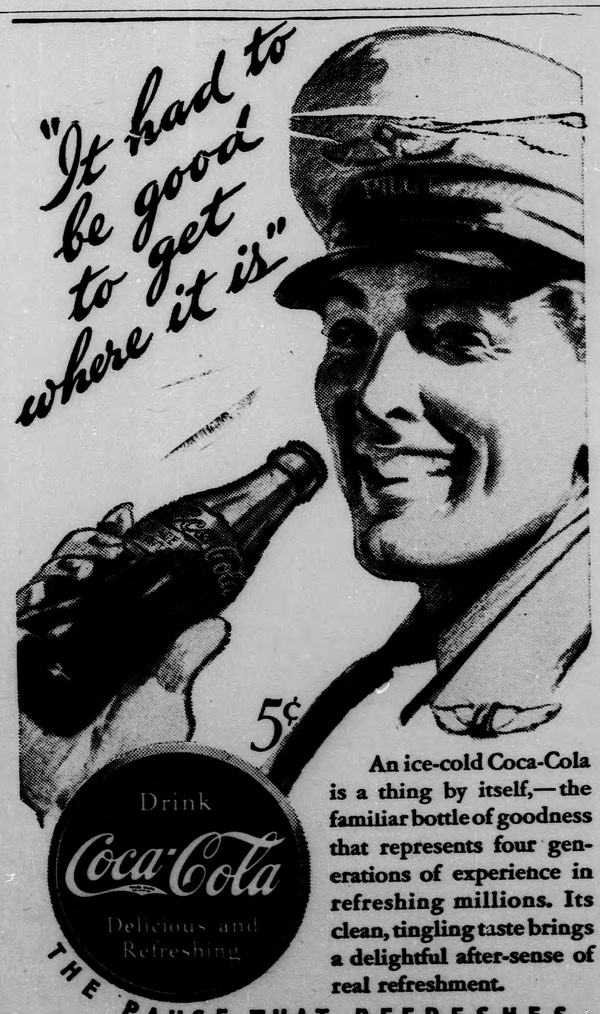

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Among The Alumni

Dear Alumni:

March 9, the important date set for our Homecoming Day is almost here. Have you already made plans to attend? I do hope that you have for an endless number of reasons. Most of all because I think that we owe it to ourselves and to our Alma Mater to return and help make this celebration a successful one. A glance at the program I am sure will serve to stimulate a desire to be "among those present" on March 9—a desire that must be fulfilled.

The faculty, student body, and Alumni Association are all eager to welcome you back home again. There is nothing that surpasses the "touch of a human hand" to foster the spirit of cooperation and loyalty. At a recent conference that I attended in Williamsburg, Virginia, a speaker made a statement to the effect that a college can be no stronger than the Alumni Association that is back of it. Respond to this cordial invitation from our president.

GREETINGS FROM DR. MEADOWS

Dear Alumni:

On March 9, 1940, your Alma Mater is celebrating three events; the first is the dedication of our new $350,000.00 Classroom Building; the second is the thirty-third anniversary of the founding of our College; the third is the commemoration of a century of teacher training in the United States. We want you with us as we celebrate; therefore we have focused all the events into one—Homecoming Day. The program of our celebration is given elsewhere in this paper. We shall be keenly disappointed if you do not come home on this occasion. Do not disappoint us.

Sincerely yours,
Leon R. Meadows.

REGISTRATION

All alumni who return for Homecoming Day are urged to register. Admission to the luncheon will be by a ticket which will be presented without charge when one registers. Registration will be in the lobby of the Robert H. Wright building from 10:00 until 10:50 a.m. on March 9.

The committee in charge of the luncheon will consider it a favor if those who plan to attend will let Estelle McClees, alumni secretary, know a few days in advance.

FOUNDERS' DAY AND HOMECOMING DAY

Perhaps you will be interested in this bit of historical information.

On March 5, 1932, Founders' Day, sponsored by the Pitt County Chapter of the Alumni Association, was celebrated at East Carolina Teachers College for the first time. This was twenty-five years after the school was founded; March 8, 1907, the bill was ratified to establish a Teacher Training School for Eastern Carolina. Miss Deanie Boone Haskett, vice president of the State Alumni Association in 1932, served at the celebration in the absence of the president, Mrs. F. M. Johnson.

November 21, 1936, marks the inauguration of the annual Homecoming Day by the alumni. Founder's Day was discontinued and Fall Homecoming Day instituted. Mrs. O. K. Joyner was leader of the Alumni Association. On October 23, 1937, the second annual homecoming was celebrated. The following year the event occurred on November 19. This year, 1939-'40, the Homecoming Day celebration has been postponed until March. It will be celebrated with the dedication of the new classroom building and the commemoration of Founders' Day and "A Century of Public Teacher Training in the United States."

Included in the program are the usual pleasures that tend to make homecoming a happy day: a special welcome to alumni in the morning, luncheon at the college, an alumni meeting in the afternoon and a basketball game (with faculty members in the contest) and a dance in the evening.

ALUMNI ORGANIZATION

To those of you who were not at commencement last year, I send information concerning our organization.

The members of the Alumni Council for the year 1939-'40 are: president, Mrs. Elizabeth Stuart Bennett, Forest City; vice president, Mrs. Minnie Ross Brake, Rocky Mount; secretary and treasurer, Miss Grace Smith, Greenville; members of the executive committee, Miss Mary Gray Moore, New Bern; Henry Oglesby, Grifton; Miss Evelyn Tillman, Roanoke Rapids; Mrs. W. H. Brake, Rocky Mount; Mrs. L. L. Stancil, Greenville; Mrs. J. L. Marcom, Raleigh; Miss Grace Smith, Greenville; and Miss Wita Bond, Rocky Mount.

At present there are seven active Alumni Chapters. They are here listed with their presidents: Winterville—Mrs. L. S. Worthington, Goldsboro—Mrs. Russell Spence, Roanoke Rapids—Miss Martha Whitehurst, Raleigh—Mrs. Christine Vick Joyner, Rocky Mount—Mrs. R. M. Taylor, Greenville—Mrs. Martha Scoville Forbes, New Bern—Miss Mary S. Moore.

The files show that approximately 4,818 people have been graduated from East Carolina Teachers College. Of course, a small per cent of these have died. A comparison of the number of active members with the possible number that should and could be affiliated with an Alumni Chapter reveals a tragic fact.

Though there is no shrine, as such, upon which the graduates pledge allegiance to the college each year, sentiment might well serve as an impetus for greater alumni work. During four years of one's life in any place indelibly stamped upon the memory will be treasures: Probably the living memory of a deceased friend or adviser, or the beginning of a lasting friendship. There are always campus sites upon which something happened—trivial as viewed now but extremely important then. The fact remains that the degree of material success obtained as well as the realization of much happiness passed and that to come has been made possible by college preparation. Then, taking a long glance into the future, realizing that births are at a standstill and that the increase in population is found among the lower income classes, there must be a strong Alumni Association working with the college.

ELECTION OF THE ALUMNI SECRETARY

For the past two years it has been the big objective of the association to employ a full-time secretary. With the aid of the college this has been realized, and the secretary began work February 1, 1940. A faculty committee composed of Miss Emma L. Hooper, Miss Maria D. Graham, and Mr. E. L. Henderson working together with the council, on which a representative from each chapter is included, elected, on November 25, 1939, Estelle McClees as full-time secretary. The above faculty committee was dissolved; and a new advisory committee composed of Miss Emma L. Hooper, Miss Maria D. Graham, Miss Ruth White, Dr. A. D. Frank, and Mr. J. B. Cummings appointed.

BIG OBJECTIVES ACCOMPLISHED BY THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The Alumni Association, since its organization in 1912, has made through its various funds many contributions to the causes of the college. In the last fifteen years, there have been five big objectives worked for and accomplished by the association: namely, the Wilson Memorial, a pergola on west campus; the Beckwith Memorial, the Kate R. Beckwith Gateway; the Austin Loan Fund ($500.00); a contribution to the Robert H. Wright Loan Fund; and the appointing of a full-time secretary.

GRADUATE WORK

To those of us who have been graduated with the degree of A.B., our college offers an opportunity for further study. Dr. E. L. Henderson, Director of Instruction, Education and Supervision, is Chairman of Graduate Work at East Carolina Teachers College. Here is a statement from him concerning the work:

"To meet the demands being made upon superintendents, principals and high school teachers for scholastic attainment represented by work beyond the Bachelor's Degree, the college organized a Department of Graduate Instruction in 1930. The department is in charge of a director and five members appointed by the President of the College. Under their guidance curricula of graduate of Administration and Supervision, Elementary Education, English, History, Mathematics, Science, Secondary Education, and Social Science.

"Loan Funds formerly available to only undergraduates are now available to graduates."

ALUMNI HEADQUARTERS

A pleasing bit of news for you is to learn that we have new Alumni Headquarters. The administration has made this possible and the Alumni Association is deeply grateful. The college moved the bookroom and converted this spacious place into a reception room, an office, and a filing room. It is being furnished by the college. The location is on the front corridor of Austin, opposite the old cloakroom. When you are on the campus, make Alumni Headquarters, your headquarters.

LOOKING FOR YOU ON HOMECOMING

With the inspiring news of our new alumni room, I leave you for this time and await your arrival on March 9.

Sincerely,
Estelle McClees,
Alumni Secretary.

Members of the cast of "Stage Door," caught by the Teco Echo staff photographer in groups discussing and enacting scenes from the play. Top row, from left to right, they are Shirley Lathem and Ursula Carr talking; Helen Flanagan and James Thompson sitting on the sofa discussing a scene from the play; center, John David Bridgers and Elizabeth Wilson enacting a scene from the play, and Ossie Faircloth reading a magazine between acts; extreme left, Frank Morris and Normand Wilkerson; in background Evelyn Pendergrass and Jim Ipock discussing their parts in the play. Bottom row, from left to right: Rose Marciole; Tompy Benton, Wayland Tucker, and Helen Gray Gillam; center, Mary Ellen Matthews and John Glover on the stage; in the background are Lindsay Whichard, Joyce Hill and Prue Newby talking; extreme left, an informal group around the piano singing are: La Rue Weathers, Katherine McClees, Alice Aligood, and Lucy Ann Barrow.

Forty-seven ECTC Girls See Big Five Game

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Lindsay, Zula Newman, Margaret Gray, Virginia Clark, Virginia Atkinson, Jane Murray, Josephine Jackson, Eva McMillan, Lorainne Horne, Maude Parrish, Dorothy Boswell, Rachel Blanchard, Hazel White, Margaret White, Kathleen Mullen, Doris Vaughan, Mary Grace Siverston, Ailene Mewborn, Joy Parnell, Leona Council, Mabel Smith, Vileigh Austin, Ruth Hawkes, Adminta Eure, Anna Brown, Jonnie Faye Barnes, Arline Mercer, Elsie Frod, Mary Frances Williams, Mildred Owens and Nell McCullen.

Meredith Dietz is Guest Speaker on Campus Here

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they have lived always but to travel and see other places and meet new people. America while other countries are at war should be the place of culture and make Europe look up to us as we have done in the past to them.

Another piece of advice Miss Dietz gave was not to sit on the side lines and watch life go by but to play the game. Even though we don't make a goal we have helped others to live.

At the evening meeting Miss Dietz explained in detail the establishment of the first *Messenger,* telling especially the part that Poe played in its early existence. She stated that it was chiefly on account of Poe's frank literary criticism of contemporary writings that the circulation was greatly increased during the period in which he was editor.

The *Messenger,* said Miss Dietz, was one of the first magazines which gave women a chance to publish their writings which usually appeared as poems.

In the early days of the magazine the stories were all similar in plot. They consisted of a heroine who either died of consumption or was killed when thrown from a horse, and a hero who was also the villian but who secured the heroine's pardon before she died.

After the close of the evening speech, Miss Dietz talked informally to a group in the English laboratory.

Homecoming Day To Be Observed

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of the new building was delayed.

A century of Public Teacher Education by Professor Charles A. Harper, the publication of which is sponsored by the association, gives the history of teacher training. It began at Lexington, Massachusetts on July 3, 1839 with the first publicly supported teacher training institution and has grown until it now offers Ph.D. degrees and until teachers colleges have a total of more students than the total in other colleges and universities in the United States.

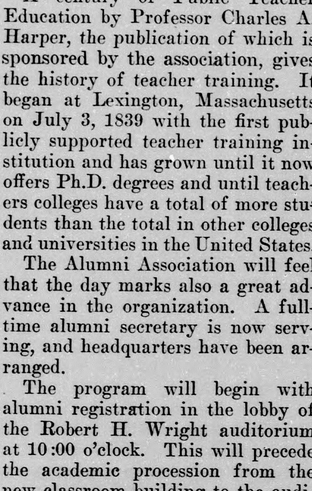
The Alumni Association will feel that the day marks also a great advance in the organization. A full-time alumni secretary is now serving, and headquarters have been arranged.

The program will begin with alumni registration in the lobby of the Robert H. Wright auditorium at 10:00 o'clock. This will precede the academic procession from the new classroom building to the auditorium where the address will be given by Governor Clyde R. Hoey. He will be introduced by Clyde Erwin, State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

President Meadows will welcome the alumni and will present the guests of honor at the close of the morning program.

Barbecue lunch will be served at 1:00 o'clock and will be followed by a meeting of the alumnae.

The home economics department is in charge of a tea in the new classroom building during the afternoon and the program will close with a basketball game and the alumni dance that night.



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youth, was convincingly acted by Helen Gray Gillam.

Other characters in the play who may be credited with realistic performances were Bobby Melrose, drawling southern belle, Helen Flanagan; Mavil Smith and La Rue Weathers as Big and Little Mary spilled many laugh-provoking lines. The two Negro parts were faithfully portrayed by John David Bridgers as butler and Elizabeth Wilson as maid. Shirley Latham was the typical Boston society girl as Kendall Adams. Evelyn Pendergrass was a lanquid beauty in the part of Madelyn Vauclair, and sophisticated Linda Shaw was portrayed by Tompy Benton.

Mary Ellen Mathews became a famous movie actress as Jean Maitland. Prue Newby as Louise Mitchell was the only one of the actresses successful enough to win a husband for herself. The tap dancing Pat Divine was well taken by Alice Alligood, and Ursuler Carr played the part of Susan Paige, and Ossie Faircloth as Ellen were other young stage aspirants.

James Thompson and Frank Morris are two young actors, Sam Hastings, and Jimmy Devereaux, respectively. Jim Ipock and Norman Wilkerson as Fred Powell and Lou Milhauser are lumbermen for Seattle.

Rose Marciole is Linda's Mother, Mrs. Shaw, and Waylan Tucker, as Dr. Randall, is Terry's father.

Lindsay Whichard is Billy, the news photographer and John Glover as Adolph Gretzel, movie director, play other roles.

Tigers Will Try To Claw Lions

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to the Wildcats, 11-10. Artis Hardee and Mitchell Avery starred for the Tigers, and Jack Noe was the standout in scoring ways for the Zebras.

Bill Basden led the Wildcats in a brilliant last-half rally to top the league-leading Lions. Hebert Wilkerson dropped in the winning point with 10 seconds to go. Brown played a smooth floor game for the Lions in this game and others during the season.

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