

# The TECO ECHO

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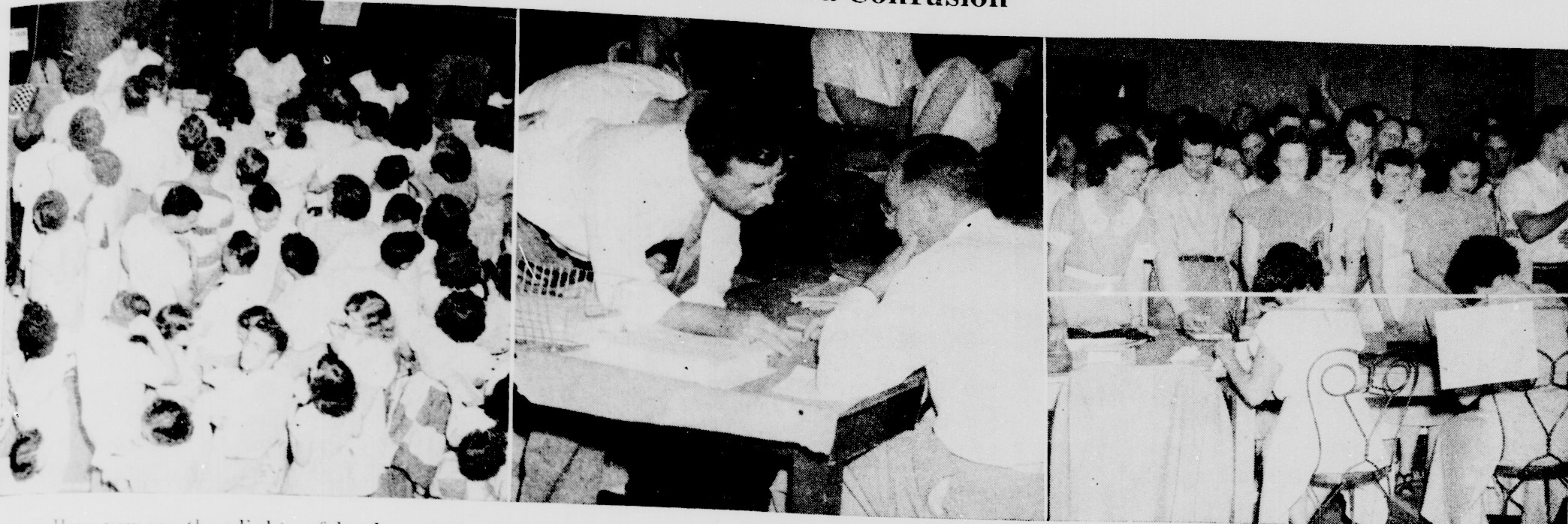
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## Sutton Wins SGA Presidency

### Registration A La Confusion



Here you see the plights of hapless students going through the ordeal of ordeals, for East Carolina like all other colleges must have registration. It is here that the elimination begins for only the strong are able to go on while the weaker are trampled underfoot along with torn hair, bitten nails, and hopes of getting the required courses.

### Defeats Toothman In Run-Off

William Sutton, senior from New Bern, will head the Student Government Association at East Carolina Teachers College during the summer session, which is now in progress. Elections held on the campus over a two-day period under the direction of Hugh Fox of Wilmington resulted in the choice of Sutton as president and of eight other students for SGA offices for the summer term.

Sutton won over Frank Toothman, Curtis Phipps, and Walter Jackson, the last two being eliminated in the first election.

Sutton has been for several years a student leader on the campus here. During 1949-1950 he will serve as president of the senior class at the college. Last summer he was chosen by his fellow students as "best all-around boy" then attending the college. He has worked in the College Museum and on the campus newspaper, "The TECO ECHO" and has held offices in the YMCA, the science club, the Poe Literary Society, and in his class during his sophomore and junior years at the college.

Other officers chosen for the SGA for the summer term include Florence Boerckel, Baltimore, Md., secretary; Hugh Fox, Wilmington, treasurer; and six members-at-large of the Student Council, as follows: Robert J. Hobbs, and Constantine Fokakis, Wilmington; Elbert L. Stoks, Ayden; Reba Lee, Benson; Thelma Parker, Clinton; and Paul Geer, Morehead City.

## Summer School Gets Underway With A Clash And A Bang

Summer school got started this year, not with the usual bang, but with a muffled roar. The roar came from the Wright building where students pushed, shoved, and struggled to give away their money and get the courses they needed.

In all about 880 students registered which is almost up to last year's record of about 900. Many of these are teachers who will spend their summer learning more about the subjects they teach. Others are "eager beavers," and the rest are those who should have been eager and weren't.

Registration itself was about the same; a picnic, reunion and sweat box all in one. Here the students greeted each other, talked over last quarter's grades, and wondered if registration in all schools is tiring, discouraging, and difficult.

To help ease a normally bad situation the treasury moved its offices to the Wright building where students found it much easier to pay their dues. This step and the pre-registration system recently set up help somewhat to make the ordeal a simpler task.

## East Carolina Establishes Branch In Wilmington

East Carolina Teachers College opened on Monday, June 13, a branch of its summer school in Wilmington, N. C. Courses on both the graduate and the undergraduate levels are being offered, and special attention is being given to the needs of teachers and principals. The session there will continue through July 22.

A staff of five members is connected with the Wilmington branch of East Carolina. Wilbur Tuck, superintendent of the Currituck County schools in this state, is serving as director. Other included on the teaching staff are E. R. Blakeslee, principal of the Washington Catlett Elementary School in Wilmington; Herbert J. Davis, general supervisor of teaching aids of Norfolk County, Va.; and Shannon Morton, instructor in English at Wilmington College.

Work offered includes five courses on the graduate level in the fields of administration, education, and psychology; and courses on the under-

### Noted Authority On Shorthand To Be On Campus

#### Will Discuss New Methods In Shorthand

Mr. Louis Leslie, noted shorthand authority and author will be on the campus Friday, June 24 for conferences. This event, which is sponsored by the business department, will begin at 9:30 in the morning in the Flanagan building and will include a luncheon and a demonstration of shorthand teaching methods in the afternoon.

Dr. E. R. Brownning, chairman of the East Carolina department of business education, has arranged the program. A new approach to shorthand and the teaching of the subject, he says, is being adopted in progressive departments throughout the country. A thorough discussion of new materials and methods will make up part of the day's activities.

Dr. Leslie was formerly editor of the "Gregg News Letter" and associate editor of "Business Education World." At one time he qualified as the amateur world's champion shorthand writer. He will speak on "The New Gregg Shorthand" during the morning meeting; and, assisted by Lena C. Ellis of the college faculty and students at the college, will give a demonstration lesson in shorthand during the afternoon.

graduate level in English, education, psychology, and sociology. The library of Wilmington College is being used and is being supplemented by books from the college library in Greenville. Classes are conducted at the New Hanover High School.

Last summer a similar type of work was offered in Wilmington, and the success of the term there encouraged college authorities to open the branch of the summer school for the second time. In 1948, 88 students were enrolled for courses; and, though no official count of this summer's student's has yet been received in Greenville, it is expected that the number will slightly exceed last year's.

### Assistant Librarian College Employs

Marjorie Dew, formerly librarian at the high school in Canton, North Carolina, has accepted a position as assistant librarian at East Carolina Teachers College and arrived to begin her work here. She will serve as librarian at the Training School on the campus and will teach courses in library science at the college.

Miss Dew's home is Latta, South Carolina. She is a graduate of Furman University in Greenville, South Carolina. She also holds the bachelor of science and the master of arts degrees in library science from George Peabody College for Teachers. Her experience as a librarian includes work in schools in Arkansas, Tennessee, Louisiana, and South Carolina. She is a member of the American Library Association, The American Association of University Professors, the Business and Professional Woman's Club, the American Association of University Women, the DAR, the UDC, and other professional organizations.

### New President



William "Bill" Sutton

### Soda Shop To Add Patio

Plans for a patio have been announced by Mr. F. D. Duncan, college treasurer, and Mr. Bray, supervisor of the student stores. The patio will be located just outside the soda shop in the courtyard between north dining hall and the soda shop. No definite date has, as yet, been set for the opening, but already furniture has been ordered and other plans are being acted upon.

### Dormitories Elect Officers

Resident women students at East Carolina Teachers College this summer have elected dormitory officers to head their activities during the present term. Esther Parker of Clinton has been chosen president of Cotten Hall; and Kathryn Sullivan of Fayetteville, of Jarvis Hall.

Other officers selected by students of Cotten Hall are Sylvia Porter, Salemburg, secretary; and six members-at-large of the Student Government Association: Lucille Gray, Stokes; Rose Hardson, Williamston; Louise Hines, Williamston; Amaryllis Lang, Gatesville; Rosa Asbell, Edenton; and Elizabeth Manning, Williamston.

Jarvis Hall Officers, in addition to Miss Sullivan, are Mrs. Elizabeth Cooper, Elizabeth City, secretary; and the following members-at-large: Mrs. Elsie Lassiter, Creswell; Mrs. Mildred Layden, Elizabeth City; Edith Brown, Magnolia; Bessie Kornegay, Seven Springs; Catherine Thew, Marion, Ohio; and Elizabeth Atkinson, Nags Head.

The officers for Wilson hall were chosen Wednesday night June 22 after a delay of sometime. The meeting was called to order by election chairman Hugh Fox. Fox proceeded to read a slate of nominees submitted by a nominating board and then called for nominations from the floor. After the necessary procedure the following officers were elected: president, Herbert Taylor of Robersonville; secretary, Herbert Johnson of Kinston; Members at large, Leon Ellis, Siler City, N. C., Lawrence Kincaid, Portsmouth, Va., John Liles, Garland, N. C., Jack Manning, Winston-Salem, N. C., Jesse McDaniel, Kinston, N. C., and Eddie Yarborough, Portsmouth, Va.

## Teacher's Viewpoint

During the war and immediately thereafter there was a great increase in juvenile delinquency. Now, there have been many things named and many theories advanced as the direct cause of this deplorable state. The politicians were quick to say that it was the result of the faulty legislation advanced by the opposing party, the psychologists said it was the break down of the nerves due to the war strain; the sociologists thought it was the terrible existing social conditions; while some preachers were saying that it was the work of the Devil and that everyone was in danger of hellfire.

Whether or not these are the causes remains to be seen. But first let us look into the problem and see if we can establish any relation between it and the teaching profession.

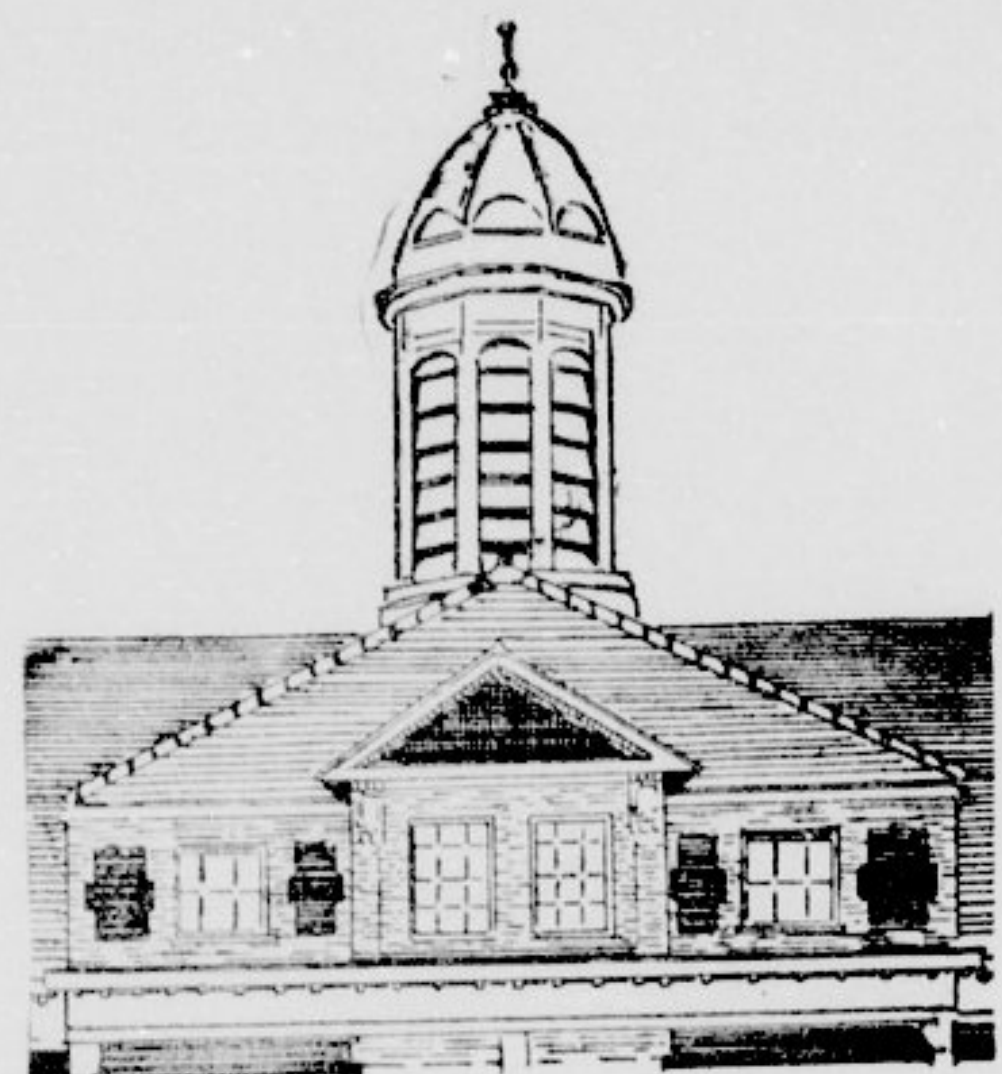
First, the conduct of a child is directly related to the type of training he receives. Second, when this training is inadequate or inferior his behavior reflects the shortcomings.

Third and last, in a time of an emergency care should be taken to step up the quality of the training so as to offset the strain.

A child is the product of his environment, of which training is the most important phase. This training or instruction comes from two major sources, the home and the school. We will limit this discussion to the latter, that is, a teacher's view point.

Teachers play a very important part in the training of children. The average child spends about six hours five days weekly under direct supervision of teachers. All of this time is used for instructional purposes; whereas in the home only part is used for instruction, the remainder for play, sleep, etc. Taking the situation as it stands, one can say that teachers play the most important role in the training of a child next to the parents. If this instruction becomes inadequate or inferior a child will be produced that is not fully trained and one that (See TEACHERS on Page 4)

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## EDITORIAL POLICY

When a newspaper changes hands there is always a statement as to the editorial policy of the new editor. So like the rest we find it necessary to let the readers know just what policies the paper will follow.

The TECO ECHO will during the summer term publish school news as it occurs regardless of faction, clique or group. In the past some editors have tended to either keep the news about the students or to keep it in their particular group. This summer the editors

## Conflicting Thoughts



will try to do neither. There will be constant effort on the part of the staff to keep the students informed as to what is happening on the campus and at the same time publish news about the students.

In addition to news about the students the editors will follow a policy of printing facts about the school. Some of these will be critical, others will serve to show the skeptical the quality of the school that they are attending. In doing this the editors hope to build school spirit and bring about the needed unity within the student body.

## Fable

Once upon a time there was a young man who was always taking chances. One day he decided to go hunting and set out to clean his gun. Now cleaning a gun is a relatively simple operation and shouldn't cause undue strain and bother; but in this case the young man couldn't remember whether or not the gun was loaded so he decided to take the usual chance. The trigger snapped, the gun fired and killed him.

Moral: If you think your instructor is going to give you a pop, you had better study.

## Faculty Line Of Reasoning

Joe Doaks is in school 24 hours every day; of this he spends about one in my class. This leaves a total of 23 hours which he has at his disposal. From this he must take eight hours for sleep, one-half hour for each meal and one-half hour for personal maintenance and social life. After all these deductions are made he has a total of 13 hours to waste if I don't assign enough work to keep him busy. Remember the old saying about the idle mind being the Devil's workshop.

## Message From The President

East Carolina is happy to welcome all of the graduate and undergraduate students to its campus for this summer term. I am sure that you have already realized that you are receiving a "warm" reception. I trust that your stay with us will be pleasurable from every standpoint and assure you that if there is anything that we can do that will make your enjoyment more complete we shall be happy to have you call upon us.

Fraternally yours,  
J. D. Messick, President

# Student Spotlight

By Wilton Joyner



At the end of two weeks of summer school, we find the East Carolina Student Spotlight focused brilliantly on William E. "Bill" Sutton, newly elected president of the summer school Student Government Association.

A very promising senior here at East Carolina, Bill hails from Jasper, N.C. (that's near New Bern, in case you're interested), where he also attended high school. During his colorful high school career, Bill was elected to various offices including: a marshal, vice president of the Junior Class, and president of the Senior Class.

Bill enrolled at East Carolina in the fall of 1946 for the purpose of obtaining a B.S. degree in Science and Social Science in preparation for dental school which he has hopes of attending in the fall of 1950. Since being here at East Carolina, Bill has proved himself to be a very capable, dependable, ambitious, well liked personality and a definite asset to this college as well as to his fellow students.

The Student Spotlight reveals that Bill has been an unusually energetic and ambitious student since he has been here with us. He has been a member of the Science Club, the Y.M.C.A. and the Wesley Foundation Council. Offices that he has held at this college include: secretary and treasurer of the Science Club, '48 and '49; vice president of the Sophomore Class, '47 and '48; secretary of the Junior Class, '48 and '49; and he has been elected as president of the Incoming Senior Class of '49 and '50. Also, he was chosen as "Best All Around Boy" in the summer school of '47 and in March of '49 he was chosen as "King of the Commerce Club Carnival." Along with all of the above mentioned, Bill has worked in the College Museum and the College Soda Shop during the major part of his enrollment here.

Commenting on the recent Student Government election in which he was elected president of the student body, Bill said, "As far as I know, there has not been a cleaner campaign since I have been here at East Carolina. I appreciate the support given me and I'll do my best with the job entrusted in me."

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# Here's How Some Students Spend Their Spare Time

Robinson Crusee had to work almost all the time in order to keep alive. His methods of getting food were so poor that it took most of his day light hours to supply his physical wants and needs. When his feet were getting scorched by the hot sand, he had to kill an animal and laboriously turn this hide into a pair of shoes. He must have enjoyed working because he had nothing else to do. When he did find some spare time, he had nothing to do but talk to his parrot. He led a life of perfect independence, but he paid for this solitary life by having nothing to do in his spare time but talk to his parrot.



He is also a hard working, conscientious, Physical Education major and Social Studies minor. We see a great future for Jack who says, "Every teacher should have something to pass on to the students besides the notes he picks up in the daily college lectures. With my hobby, I hope to help teach some of my students how to spend some of their spare time happily and profitably."

If any of you students think you have the solution to this leisure time problem, write to OFF CAMPUS ACTIVITIES in care of the TECO ECHO office so all the students can share your ideas.

Off the campus in the student's spare time, we find them engaging in many varied activities. Some spend their time in sports, some in hobbies, and some in other fields. Whatever it is, they have found the secret of how to spend their spare time both profitably and enjoyably. There are many students, on the other hand, who spend their spare time like Robinson Crusee.

Let us look in on a few of the students who have solved the problem and see what we can gain from their experiences.

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# Varsity Club Starts Athletes' Library

Every college realizes that to gain extra publicity for the school it is important to have winning athletic teams. To have winning athletic teams, the college must obtain good athletes. To obtain good athletes, scholarships and other provisions for the athletes are of vital importance. In this capacity the Varsity Club plans to help East Carolina Teachers College.

Our plan is simple and sincere. We are collecting books to be issued to athletes that plan to participate in intercollegiate sports. We ask each and every student to aid us in our plan by donating books they no longer need. By doing this you may play a large part in bettering our sports program. Your donation will be recognized and then stamped "Property of Varsity Club". Then these books will be issued to boys under the following conditions:

- 1. Recipients take care of books.
- 2. Recipients pass their work.
- 3. Recipients participate in intercollegiate sports.

Under this plan the Varsity Club estimates that from forty to eighty dollars per year will be saved in expenses. The amount saved depending on the subjects taken. Many of our returning athletes and new athletes are non-veterans and will have to purchase their own texts. These are the boys who will benefit mostly by our plan.

This library is non profit plan. We will not sell or trade books, nor will we except stolen books. At present we have about two hundred books in our library and with your help hope to have twice as many at the end of summer school.

The Varsity Club is sincere in this plan. We have the backing of Doctor Jorgenson and the coaching staff. If you are interested in seeing East Carolina Teachers College have a winning sports program and gaining good publicity for the school, please help us by helping East Carolina Teachers College.

Thank you,  
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# Sports Review

By Jack Davis

Now that our baseball squad has hung up their uniforms for another season all records can be compiled and we can see how well our athletes did for the year 1948-1949.

Actually, all the victories were tallied at 27 against 36 defeats, thus making our seasonal average .429 which is nothing to be ashamed of. The "Corsairs" of the ring wars hung up the best record of the year with six victories against two defeats for a .750 percentage. Redwan David of Fayetteville was outstanding in his division by registering five straight victories without a defeat.

Coach Howard Porter's "Buccaneros" racked up 10 cage victories against 9 defeats for a .526 average for the season. The Buc's had 8 wins and 8 defeats in the North State Conference standings. They ended up in fourth place in the final conference standings and were eliminated in the semi-final round of the Conference Tournament after defeating WCTC in the opening round. Louis Collic and Jack Everton made the All-Tournament team while Charlie Bill Moye made the All-Conference team for the '48-'49 season.

The East Carolina Golf Team had a .500 season by virtue of winning 3 matches and losing the same number. Bill Stalls placed second in the annual North State Conference Golf Tournament held in Greensboro.

Coach Jack Boone's baseball squad racked up a season record of 6 wins and 8 defeats. The Pirates had a 4-6 record in Conference standing. There seasonal average was .429. Haywood Kelly, was selected to a berth on the All-Conference team. The outstanding Pirate first baseman was the unanimous choice for this position.

The "Racqueteurs" of the tennis ended the season with a .286 average by attaining 2 wins and five defeats. Both victories were in conference play. Charlie Bill Moye and Ben Harrison, our capable doubles team, went as far as the semi-finals matches in the Conference Tournament at Greensboro.

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# Here Is What Happens In Your Student Legislature

There has been from time to time much discussion as to just what goes on in the Student Legislature. On many occasions measures passed with the students knowing little or nothing about how their representatives endeavored to carry out the wishes of their constituents. The Teco Echo by publishing the minutes will try to keep the students informed as to how their money is being spent and what bills are considered.

Miscellaneous	50.00
	\$569.00
Motion was made by Hugh Fox, that the above amounts be appropriated to the Entertainment Committee. The motion was second and carried unanimously.	
Hugh Fox made the motion that we appropriate 600.00 to the Teco Echo publication. The motion was seconded by Paul Geer and carried unanimously.	
Motion was made by Hugh Fox, that we appropriate the Student Government Association with \$180.00, which would be used for:	
Typewriter	\$150.00
Office Supplies	5.00
Miscellaneous	25.00
	\$180.00

The Student Government Association met, Wednesday, June 15, 1949 at 6:30 P. M. in the basement of the Flanagan Building. The meeting was called to order by the temporary chairman, Hugh Fox. It was recommended that Bill Sutton, president, contact President Messick concerning the appointment of Milton Clarke to the office of President of Wilson Hall. The handbook states that all officers must be elected.

The meeting was then turned over to Bill Sutton, president. Hugh Fox made the motion that the Student Government Association meetings be held every Wednesday at 6:30 P. M. in the Student Legislature office; the motion was seconded by Paul Geer and carried unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:50 P. M.

Respectively submitted,  
Bill Sutton, President,  
Florence Boerckel, Secretary.

The Student Government Association met Wednesday, June 22, 1949 at 6:30 p. m. in the Student Government Office. Bill Sutton, president called the meeting to order. The roll was called and the minutes were read and approved as read. It was stated that \$350.00 is scheduled for each summer term for entertainments and that \$100 to \$500 would be spent for movies for the two terms combined.

Hugh Fox, treasurer reported on finances. He stated that the enrollment for the first six weeks of summer school is 885 students; 287 of these students are veterans and from 50 to 75 students were special students. Total receipts for summer school is \$4,100.

A motion was made by Hugh Fox stating that arrangements would be made allowing students to use the municipal swimming pool, one night a week either Tuesday or Thursday from 7:00 p. m. to 9:00 p. m.; the motion was seconded by Paul Geer and carried unanimously.

Dr. Paul Murray was elected by the Student Government as faculty advisor.

The following appropriations were approved by the Legislature to the Entertainment Committee:  
Movies (1st two weeks) \$100.00  
Rosanna Wells, Inc 350.00  
Lowe's, Inc 30.00  
20th Century Fox 39.00

The motion was second by Elbert Stocks and carried unanimously.

Hugh Fox made the motion that we appropriate \$225.00 to the Budget Office, it was seconded by Robert Hobbs and carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Reba Lee that we send 2 dozen red roses; one dozen to Ruth Boston and the other to Susan Brinson, students at the college who are critically ill. The motion was seconded by Gus Fokakis and carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p. m.

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## Dr. Sigmund Spaeth Leads Active Life

Sigmund Spaeth who appeared Thursday evening at 8:00 o'clock in the Austin Building continues to lead what is probably the most active life in the entire field of music, although he has in recent years repeatedly threatened to retire. At the moment he is preparing to write his twenty-fourth book, which will be a juvenile version of the love story of Clara and Robert Schumann.

Dr. Spaeth recently returned from a long lecture tour of the South ending in a vacation cruise of the Caribbean. During this trip he made some researches in Latin American music and was greeted at Trinidad with a special Calypso song composed in his honor. On the evening of his arrival in New York, he appeared on a television program with the pianist, Jacques Fray, and was scheduled for a broadcast with Martha Dean two days later. Meanwhile he previewed the forthcoming motion picture "In the Good Old Summer Time," and corrected proofs on an article on Army

songs for the New York Times Sunday Magazine. Another article, called "The Pianist with the Clumsy Fingers," will shortly appear in "House Beautiful."

Dr. Spaeth's best known book, "The Art of Enjoying Music," is now available in pocket size in the Permabook series and has already attracted the attention of teachers of music appreciation, who find it a handy volume for supplementary reading. His monumental "History of Popular Music in America, which appeared last fall, continues to be a best seller, appealing to all types of readers because of its fascinating relations on American history in relation to the songs of every generation. Other Spaeth books in active circulation are "At Home with Music," "Stories Behind the World's Great Music," "Great Symphonies and Music for Everybody." In the lighter field there is still a strong demand for his "Barber Shop Ballads" and the pioneer collection of old songs, "Read 'Em and Weep."

Sigmund Spaeth was recently appointed National Chairman of Radio Clubs, having previously served for four years as Chairman of Motion Picture Music. He has already begun a campaign toward asking the audience for good musical broadcasts more articulate, arguing that the popularity of such programs is still unappreciated by radio sponsors and executives. He expects to appear in a musical program of his own in the near future, besides making a number of short films for television. With the opening of the Metropolitan Opera next fall he will begin his ninth season as a regular member of the popular quiz featured on the Saturday afternoon broadcasts. He is making a few personal appearances at summer schools but will henceforth limit himself mostly to radio, television and writing. He still threatens an early retirement, but nobody takes this threat too seriously. Dr. Spaeth's favorite subject is "Music for Fun," which will be the title of his program on Thursday.

## TEACHERS

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will find trouble adjusting himself to existing world conditions.  
During the war this instruction did become inferior and inadequate. Of the over 800,000 teachers in the United States over 300,000 of these left the profession. This produced a serious shortage which in some cases was relieved by the substitution of poorly trained teachers. This can be shown by the fact that before the war only one

of every ten teachers had a sub-stand-ard certificate, but after the war this ratio was raised to one out of every hundred. As a result we had during a time of emergency, and in some measure still have, a serious drop in instruction, both in quality and quantity.  
Do you think the teacher shortage had any relation to the rise in juvenile delinquency? If so, how would you remedy the situation? In the next issue you will find opinions of various teachers and principals on the campus.

## Faculty Member Touring Europe

Marguerite Z. Austin, faculty member of the foreign languages department at East Carolina Teachers College, will study abroad during the summer and will travel in several European countries. Miss Austin will be at the Sorbonne, University of Paris, for part of the summer, and will take work in French civilization, literature, and phonetics.  
Accompanied by Mrs. Agnes Barrett, secretary to President John D. Messick of the college, she sailed from Montreal May 27. Before going to France, they will visit in London with Miss Austin's brother, Captain Bernard L. Austin of the U. S. Navy, and will later pay brief visits to Belgium, Switzerland, Italy and the Netherlands. Mrs. Barrett will return to the States in June, and Miss Austin will study in Paris and possibly in Spain until September.

## SUMMER ENTERTAINMENTS

- June 23—SIGMUND SPAETH, internationally known music critic, author, and lecturer, in lecture-recital, "Music for Fun."
- August 9—DORAINE AND ELLIS, soprano and tenor, in "Romance in Song." (Light opera classics sung in costume.)
- Movies
- June 8—"Three Daring Daughters"
- June 11—"Give My Regards To Broadway"
- June 15—"Big City"
- June 18—"Green Grass of Wyoming"
- June 22—"Desire Me"
- June 25—"Tender Years"
- June 29—"The Search"
- July 6—"The Pirate"
- July 9—"The Luck of the Irish"
- July 13—"High Wall"
- July 20—"This Time For Keeps"
- July 23—"You Were Meant For Me"

## College Students Attend Conference In Ridgecrest

Our College was well represented at the Southwest Student Week at the Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly, June 8-15. The following students were among the approximately 3,000 college young people from more than 22 states: Patricia Sutton, Kinston; Frances, Everett, Kinston; Bill Bonham, Rose Hill; Frances Wilson, Dunn; Ralph Rives, Enfield; Faye Howard, St. Paul; Helen Duncan, Murfreesboro; Doris Broadnax, Greenville; Betsy Sue Stafford, Bala's Creek; and Milan Johnson, Eire.  
Gloria H. Blanton, Baptist Student Secretary, and Mrs. J. M. Duncan from Murfreesboro accompanied the students.

## East Carolina To Add Industrial Arts Major

Dr. Kenneth Bine of Girardeau, Missouri, will head the industrial arts department at East Carolina Teachers College during the 1949-1950 term. Dr. John D. Messick, college president, has just announced the appointment of Dr. Bine to the position. At present Dr. Bine is head of the department of industrial arts at South-eastern Missouri State Teachers College.  
Next year for the first time the college will offer a major in industrial arts to its students. Expansion of the department in number of faculty members and in equipment will accompany the change. The scarcity of well trained teachers in this field and a demand for them in public schools of the state has caused East Carolina to enlarge its program and to engage its industrial arts department from a minor to a major department.

## CALENDAR OF INSTITUTES AND CONFERENCES

- June 24—Business Education
- June 28—Music Education
- July 12—Parent-Teachers Assn.
- July 25-29—Safety Education
- August 11—Science for Elementary Teachers
- August 18—Communicative Skills
- August 23—Family Relations

# The TECO ECHO

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Mrs. Dorothy W. Perkins, speech consultant at East Carolina Teachers College this summer, has spent much time during the past five weeks looking into the speech habits of children at the campus Training School.

## Speech Consultant Renders Valuable Correction Work

Helps Many Speak Correctly

Good speech for children in the public schools of North Carolina has been a leading topic of discussion on the campus at East Carolina Teachers College this summer. Mrs. Dorothy W. Perkins, visiting professor and speech consultant during the first term, has aroused much of this interest. Her duties here include various phases of work in speech. Talking with and testing college and also public school pupils in the campus Training School, analyzing difficulties of speech which come to her attention, and giving help and advice in the correction of speech defects are in her day's work.  
Stutterers, lispers, and those with other speech difficulties, especially, have found a competent and sympathetic friend and advisor in Mrs. Perkins.

A large number of North Carolina public school teachers present for summer school and eager to learn the theory and practice of helping the exceptional child overcome his handicaps of speech have flocked to Mrs. Perkins' classes and have sought her help in private interviews. A full schedule of classes and conference periods has not kept the busy speech consultant from giving individual help to college students and children in the campus Training School. She has reached others through her appearance on the programs of several institutes and workshops held on the college campus this summer.

Mrs. Perkins joined the East Carolina faculty with a rich and varied experience in speech and hearing work behind her. At present she is head of the speech correction and hearing department of the Dowagiac City schools in Michigan. There for three years she has been lip-reading teacher and hearing consultant and has aided scores of young folk through her investigations and clinical work.

A woman of attractive appearance, efficient manner, and sympathetic attitude, Mrs. Perkins has been able to make her work among teachers of this state now attending the college a great success. "Mrs. Perkins is a welcome addition to our summer faculty," commented President John D. Messick in speaking of her work. "Her students are most enthusiastic about her. And this," he added, "is

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Elizabeth Drake, of Scotland Neck, pianist and faculty member of the department of music at East Carolina Teachers College, appeared Tuesday evening in a recital in the Austin auditorium on the campus and played before an appreciative audience of approximately 250 people. Present to hear Miss Drake were students, townspeople of Greenville, and out-of-town guests.

As solo numbers Miss Drake played a varied group of selections. The opening number, a sprightly sonata by Scarlatti, was followed by "Sonatina," by the modern composer Wendell Keeney. Selections by Chopin and Brahms concluded the first part of the program.

With Mrs. Margaret Gilbert, Greenville pianist, at second piano, Miss Drake closed her recital with a two-piano arrangement of Cesar Franck's "Symphonic Variations." This, as well as other numbers of the program, was received with enthusiastic applause.

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## New Projects Announced By President Messick

President Messick announced Wednesday that work had begun on the auditorium-theatre annex to the training school on the campus. Construction of the training school gymnasium, for which plans have been completed, will begin in about a month.

Architects are now working on plans for the new college gymnasium (which will seat more than 2000 persons when completed) and swimming pool, which will be located between the baseball park and Tenth Street. These plans will be completed by September 1.

According to Dr. Messick, plans for the new college library will be finished about January 1.

Terrazzo floors are now being laid in the new men's dormitory, which will not be ready for occupancy until the first of the year. It had been previously thought that construction on Slay Hall would be completed by November.

Dr. Messick has also announced that specifications are being drawn for an organ to be placed in Austin Auditorium. The organ will probably be installed during the fall.

## Students Stage Amateur Night

Amateur Night, staged by the class in community recreation at East Carolina Teachers College under the direction of Dr. N. M. Jorgenson, drew an audience of approximately a thousand people to the Austin auditorium on the campus Tuesday evening, July 12. A program of songs, instrumental music and novelty acts was well received by the audience. Hubert Muschelwhite, Greenville student, was in charge of arrangements for the evening.

During the program Curtis Phipps of Greenville acted as master of ceremonies and introduced participants. Prizes were awarded to the performers winning greatest applause from the audience. Recipients were the Three Cs, a vocal trio made up of Ed, John, and Kervin Conway of Greenville; Murphy Moore of Atkinson, singer; and Mrs. Ethel Hopkins of Plymouth, violinist, and Isaac Armstrong of Oriental, magician, who tied for third place.

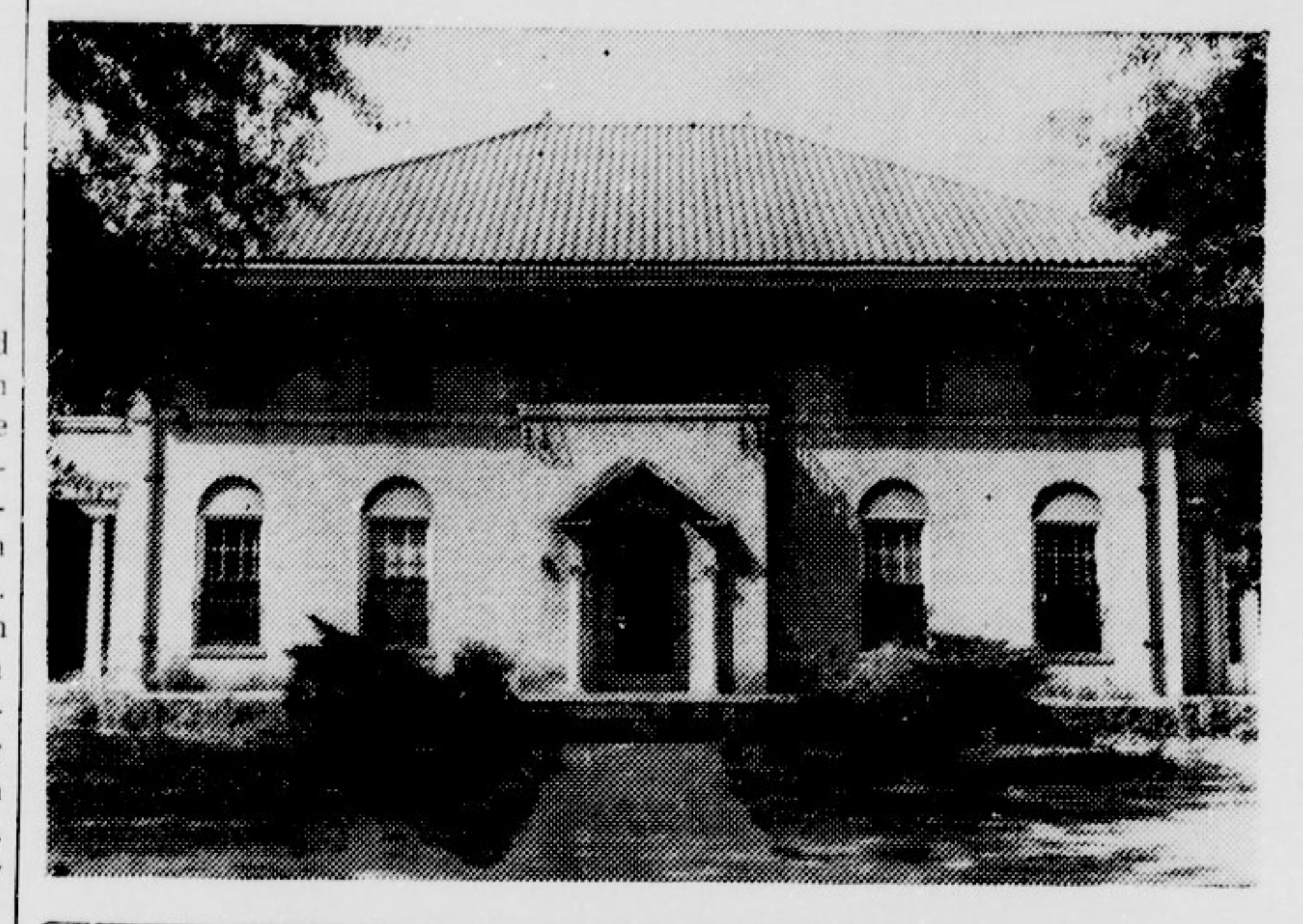
## Teacher's Viewpoint

Have you ever wondered how we keep as many good teachers in the teaching profession as we have when they have to sacrifice themselves and their substance to remain at this post? Many men teachers, especially the married men teachers, are forced to work at extra jobs to maintain the standards that are expected of them by the public. Most teachers are told that they are in the most honorable profession in the world, and then they are handed a code of ethics to maintain. They follow this until they begin to tighten their belts and have an offer for a higher paying occupation and then they are forced to leave the younger generation holding their text books.

In the meantime, we are denying our children the rights that they are entitled to. It has been estimated that, in the U. S. there are 5,000,000 children of school age who are not in school at all and millions of others that are headed into huge classes where there is little chance to learn.

When children can not be kept busy in the classroom, they begin to look for other things to occupy

## New President's Home



## PTA Conference Held On Campus

Parents and teachers gathered at East Carolina Teachers College Tuesday afternoon of this week, July 12, to discuss the improvement of the public schools through the work of the Parent-Teachers Association. The conference was the second annual PTA institute held on the college campus. Dean Leo W. Jenkins, dean of the East Carolina summer school, was presiding officer at a luncheon in the North Dining Room and at an open forum which followed.

Mrs. Dorothy W. Perkins, speech consultant at East Carolina for the first summer term, was chief speaker at the luncheon. "Encourage primary teachers to become speech correctors," Mrs. Perkins urged those present. Three out of every hundred pupils in the public schools, she said, need the help of a speech teacher. One percent of the school population, she continued, are stutterers; and one out of every 200 children has a cleft palate. Every primary teacher can become a speech corrector, she pointed out, for articulation difficulties, which make up seventy percent of the speech difficulties found among school children. Faults in speech should be corrected early, she said, before they become fixed as habits.

Participation of high school pupils in the PTA was discussed by the Rev. J. A. Neilson, pastor of Emmanuel Baptist Church and President of the Student-Parent-Teacher Council of Greenville; Mrs. P. W. Picklesimer of Greenville; and Mrs. F. D. (See PTA on Page 6)

## College Buys New President's Home

Old Home To Be Used For Faculty Apartments

East Carolina Teachers College has acquired by purchase from Mrs. Hattie F. Young of Greenville the handsome brick dwelling known as the Dail House and located opposite the college campus on East Fifth Street. The house will be used as a home for President John D. Messick.

The eleven-room home constructed in Italian style of architecture was built some twenty years ago as a residence for Haywood Dail of Greenville. It was sold to Ames Brown of New York and later became the property of Mrs. Young. The family of W. F. Young occupied the home until recently.

At the present time floors and walls throughout the house are being re-finished and the kitchen and baths are being modernized. The house will be ready for occupancy by Dr. Messick and his family about the second week in August.

Final plans for the conversion of the present president's home, which is located on East Fifth Street across the street from the Austin building, will be made early in August. The house will probably be converted into apartments for faculty members, although part of it may be used as an alumni building.

## Phi Sigma Pi Holds Banquet

Student members at East Carolina Teachers College of the Phi Sigma Pi fraternity, honorary educational organization for men students, gave a banquet Tuesday evening, July 12, at the Woman's Club of Greenville. Approximately sixty members and special guests were present to enjoy the occasion and to participate in a program presented during the evening.

Sam Bundy, principal of the Farmville school, chief speaker, discussed the ideal of service as a measure of the success of the teacher. President John D. Messick of East Carolina was a special guest of the evening.

Others participating on the program included Lawrence Posey, Greenville student and president of the fraternity; Ola Forrest, principal of the Pactolus school; and Dr. Beecher Flanagan, faculty advisor of the organization.

We have long boasted about our compulsory education, but the latest reports show that we still have a million illiterate adolescents and adults in this country. Before the war the Japanese had a higher percentage of literacy than the U. S. As Robert M. Hutchins says, "America has grown rich and strong not because of its system of education but in spite of it. Only a wealthy and powerful country could survive and educational system so lacking in logic and

ultimate aim." Throughout the country, and especially in the south and west many school rooms have been closed because of the lack of teachers. In many places where they are still open, they have

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