

Negro History Week Observed At Phenix

The Hampton Teachers' Association, meeting at Phenix high school Feb. 3, enjoyed an inspirational, original skit, titled the "New Negro." This skit was written by Misses Marcia Parks, Shirley Thomas, Mona Wilson, and Elise Bowman, members of the government classes under the direction of Mrs. Elizabeth Jordan.

"The New Negro" vividly depicted in song and dance, and by narration, the life of the Negro from 1861 to 1961. Concepts of the skit were emphasized by music from the Phenix Choir under the direction of Henry Wilson with Mrs. Janie Whiting as consultant, as it sang at appropriate intervals "Great Day," "Walking in the Light," and "Going Up."

THE INTRODUCTION by Miss Sandra Brown, the informative narration by Simon Gaskill, and the interpretative dance created by Miss Teresa Keene contributed, immensely to this picture of the "New Negro".

Other highlights of the program developing the theme "A Greater Appreciation of Our Cultural Heritage" were a solo titled "Live Humble" by Roland Hayes and sung by William Crump. Reports of the VTA Leadership Conference held recently in Richmond, were given by Mrs. Margaret Smith and Miss Linda Howell. A report of the meeting was made by the president of the HTA, Mrs. Elizabeth Jordan.