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40 Field Service Students Paying Visit to Northside

An international bus filled with 40 American Fleld Service students from 25 countries will arrive at Peachtree Presbyterian Church today, July 3, at 1 p.m. Its passengers have spent a year as members of families and as students of local high schools in communities across the United States.

Activities planned for the teenage visitors include old-fashioned Fourth of July picnics, the annual parade, and sightseeing.

On Saturday, because they wish to learn about our urban and social problems, they will be taken on a tour of a poverty area, a communi-.

ty center and an urban renewal area. The tour will begin at 2 p.m. at the EOA center, 486 Decatur St. Shopping Center.

Bus Number 48 is one of 74 touring buses enroute to Washington D.C., where over 3,040 AFS students will have a final meeting before returning to their own countries. The end-of-year bus trip exposes the students to more of the United States than they would otherwise see from their home communities. Over 25,000 families in over 650 communities host bus trip students. Handling all the arrangements for the

bus stop in Atlanta is Mrs. Harry L. Holloman of Sandy Springs.

The American Field Service conducts International Scholarship Programs for students 16 to 18 years of age from many nations. A non-profit organization with no religious or political affiliations, it seeks to foster understanding of the differences and similarities which exist among peoples of the world.

To accomplish this aim there are two American Field Service Programs: One, Students to the U.S., in 1968-69 has brought more than 3000 students from 61 countries to live, study and join in community life in the United States. The other, Americans Abroad, in the current year has sent over 1400 students to 48 countries overseas for an equivalent experience.

In the past 21 years, over 47,000 students from 75 countries have participated in the AFS programs. AFS has 40 overseas offices and 3000 volunteer Chapters throughout the U.S.

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