



Formally posed for a portrait of the group, the members of the Charles Waddell Chestnutt Book Club are, left to right, bottom row: Marion Porter, Mildred McIntyre, Hattie Davis; second row: Mavis Jones, Ruberta Tolson, Johnnie Murphy, Earnestine Hill, Vera Mills; top row: Jacqueline McCrimmon, Edith Walker, Eliza Bullock, Mary Scotton, Connie Clayburn, Nina Baten, Doris Batts, Elizabeth Smith.

Book Club Rouses Student Reading

The members of the Charles Waddell Chestnutt Book Club extend a hearty and cordial welcome to all members of the freshman class and to all new upperclassmen as well. We hope that your progress and enjoyment here will be great.

Our purpose is to sponsor a greater interest among the students in libraries and library service and to stimulate reading interests through attractive, entertaining, appealing, current and seasonal bulletin boards, by reporting on one or two outstanding magazine articles at each meeting and by reporting the titles of new books and giving a brief review of one old and one new book.

Any student interested in carrying out our purposes is eligible for membership. To maintain mem-

bership each member has to attend the meetings and participate in the club activities.

With only one meeting behind us we have had a float in the Homecoming Parade, a representative speaker at the chapel program for school organizations, and we have planned and produced two Book Week bulletin boards in the library and distributed Book Week posters around the campus. The float had as its theme, "The Library—The Heart of the College."

The officers are as follows: president, Eliza Bullock; vice president, Ruberta Tolson; recording secretary, Mavis Jones; corresponding secretary, Mildred McIntyre; and Student Council Representative, Marion Porter. The club advisor for this year is Mrs. M. P. Jones.

New Dorm Plans Activities

The New Dormitory Association, under the sponsorship of Miss Mary E. Terry, begins its program for the year with Gracie Brunson as president. Other officers are as follows: Mildred Bagley, vice-president; Lillian Dorsette, secretary; Dorothy Hill, assistant secretary; Etta Bennett, treasurer; and Elizabeth McArthur, assistant treasurer.

The activities for the quarter began with the annual Scholarship Dance held in the Lilly Gymnasium, November 5. This proved to be a jovial occasion for all who attended.

The second affair (a bridge party) was held Saturday night, November 20, in the recreation room of the new dormitory.

Sunday, November 21, the New Dormitory Association presented its chapel program during which time the horn of plenty, containing a variety of delightful fruits and vegetables, was given to Mr. John Wilkins who was confined to his home.

Many exciting and interesting affairs have been planned by the new dormitory for the coming year. We truly hope that the college family will join us in our enthusiasm for the coming events.

Simmons Honored

One of the most enthusiastic social affairs of the school year was the testimonial banquet given at Fayetteville State Teachers College on Friday evening, Nov. 12, in honor of S. B. Simmons' 32 years of service to North Carolina and to the South in the capacity of Assistant Supervisor of Agricultural Education.

Born and educated in Fayetteville, Mr. Simmons is a man of wide and varied experience. He has established headquarters at the Agricultural and Technical College in Greensboro, of which he is a graduate and presently director of vocational agriculture.

The guest speaker for the occasion was John W. Mitchell, Regional Director of Extension Services, Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C. Two well-known quartets offered music for the program.

Dignitaries from several southern states, along with teachers, principals, supervisors, and superintendents, were among the large gathering of people who paid tribute to Mr. Simmons' qualities as a leader and to the wholesome influence he has had upon "improved farming" throughout the Southland.

Laugh—Bro.—Laugh

Would you like to be an editor?

Being an editor is no picnic.

If we print jokes, people say we are silly.

If we don't, they say we are too serious.

If we reprint things from other papers, we are too lazy to write them ourselves.

If we don't, we are too fond of our own stuff.

If we inadvertently fail to report club meetings, it is because we are jealous.

If we do, we are playing favorites.

And now, likely as not, someone will say we swiped this from another paper.

Well . . . we did.

—Anonymous

WORLD PROBLEM

Miss Annie Owens, our chapel speaker on October 11, 1954, discussed the conflict of races. She reminded us that the problems of segregation and integration are not limited to the United States, but to the whole world, and that the only ways they can be eliminated are through unbiased reasoning and a love and respect for our fellowmen.

THOUGHTS TO REMEMBER

"Man's greatest need is to learn."
"A beautiful behavior is the finest of fine arts."

"One who does less than his best is killing part of himself."

"The only thing one gets for nothing is nothing."

Now Is the Time

Our chapel speaker on Monday, October 18, 1954, was Mr. Blatch. Mr. Blatch chose as his subject "Developing Proper Values and Attitudes for Successful Living in Our Democracy."

Values, in his opinion, are those things which one believes in. Attitude is concerned with the way one acts in accordance with what he believes.

An education is a requisite to make sure we don't get our values mixed. Education releases one from fear and superstition. He stated that it is relatively easy to influence an ignorant person; therefore, citizens should be extremely careful when choosing persons to represent them in public offices.

Mr. Blatch stated further that we should feel that America, the land of free enterprises, belongs to all. As Negroes, we have developed an inferiority complex toward white people, and it is time for a change. We must develop a change. We must develop a desire to push forward and must not be satisfied with just anything.

There is also a need to recognize our universal connections. In other words, the problems of one country concern everybody.

Above all, we are not to reduce our standards to achieve any desired goal.

Learn To Think

"Education and Thinking" was the topic chosen by Mr. Tom Hunter who spoke to our college family on October 1, 1954. He stated that the person who has learned to think is the one who gets things done. It is mainly our ability to think which separates us from lower animals. Competition necessitates the growth of intelligent thinking.

Mr. Hunter holds that quite often too much attention is placed on extra-curricular activities and not enough on the "Three R's." He advised the student body not to go out unprepared because it is impossible to teach that which we do not know. In case of difficult problems, students should seek advice from their instructors who are well-prepared and always willing to help. A teacher's greatest asset is to be able to set examples. Our college may be compared to a greenhouse. Each student represents a plant which must be carefully nourished. When it matures it will serve as an inspiration to others.

—Melba Johnson, reporter

Ivy Leaflets

The Ivy Leaf Club of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority extends hearty greetings to all returning students of FSTC and a sincere welcome to the new members of the college family.

As a Homecoming Project, members of the Ivy Leaf Club decorated a portion of the lawn in front of the H. L. Cook Dining Hall welcoming alumni and friends to our Homecoming.

During the week of November 7-13, members of the Ivy Leaf Club collected food and money for a needy family for Thanksgiving which is an annual project.

Plans for Ivy Leaf activities are in the making. We'll keep you posted.

—Louise Harrison, reporter

GRANDMA . . .

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Grandma was terribly afraid to ride in very fast cars. One day Cousin John took us to get some tobacco plants and he had been drinking. Grandma was so afraid that it was pathetic. He was going down the highway with his eyes closed, not regarding rules or regulations. Occasionally he would look around at Grandma and say, "Say Betsy, are you afraid? Now don't be scared, Old John has control." Grandma would almost go into hysterics. She made a vow that she would never go riding with him again. "Children, don't ever drink, for it ruins the soul. Look at John. He could have been the best teacher in this neighborhood had he wanted. You know how his mother and daddy worked to send him to school and made sacrifices for him to have everything he wanted. Now look at him; the drunkard isn't worth two cents. I never want to see any of you in his condition. Promise me you won't drink, please?" She would give us this lesson in morals, and it proved worthwhile. To this day neither my brother, sister, nor I have ever drunk. We feel that we owe this to Grandma as well as ourselves.

Grandma is gone now; God rest her soul. I try to think of her lessons in "right and wrong" each time I am tempted to go wrong. When I am feeling despondent, I think of her courage and hopes for our future success. I love her even now, and her words of courage will live with me forever.

—Betsy Currie



Realizing a fond dream, these Zeta Phi Beta pledges stand at attention during a pause in their march to Greekdom. They are, left to right, Lottie Murphy, Edith Walker, Lillie Waters, Katie McKoy, and Gracie Barnett.