

CHOWAN COLLEGE

Don't forget "The Merchant of Venice," to be presented by members of the College faculty, and the Dramatic Club, March 16th in their College Auditorium.

Miss Una Robinson, head of the Science Department, attended the Association of Southern Schools and Colleges, which met in Greensboro last week.

Misses Elsie Gordon and Wilmur Durham were in Norfolk Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Suler McCullens of Woodland High School was the guest of Miss Caroline Lane Saturday and Sunday.

Misses Myra Benthall, Irma and Sarah Vaughan and Foyd Bridgers spent the week-end at their respective homes.

The College B. Y. P. U. rendered an instructive and enjoyable program at the regular Sunday evening church service. The subject was "Meditation."

Miss Eva Perry who is teaching in Colerain, was a welcome visitor Sunday afternoon.

Misses Beryl Souter, Ruth Holloman and Irma Vaughan are attending the Student Volunteer Convention which is in session at the North Carolina State College, Raleigh, this week.

Watch the Hertford County Herald for announcements of recitals to be given by the Seniors in the near future.

An interesting program was rendered by the Alathenian Literary Society Saturday evening, the subject being "The Coue Theory." At the conclusion of the discussion it was unanimously decided that "Every day, in every way" Chowan is getting better and better. But we didn't need Mr. Coue to teach us that fact.

COLERAIN NEWS

Mr. Hubert Askew went to Ahoskie last Tuesday.

Mr. J. C. Beasley went to Windsor last Wednesday.

Mr. Charles Jenkins of Aulander was in town last Wednesday.

Mr. C. A. Northcott went to Winton last Wednesday in the interest of the telephone company.

Messrs. Carl and Stanley Seasons went to Windsor last Wednesday.

Rev. Bristow was called to Christian Harbor last Thursday to preach a funeral.

Mr. L. D. Perry made a business trip to Ahoskie last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Myers and Mrs. Clay Sharp went to Windsor last Friday.

The supper at the Masonic hall last Friday.

The supper at the Masonic hall last Friday night was quite a success, over \$50 being realized.

Mr. Williams from Rocy Mount spent last Friday night in town.

Mr. C. J. Rhea of Windsor was here last Friday night.

The Parent-Teachers Association will hold their regular meeting next Thursday night and are expecting a fine program.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Beasley were visitors in Harrellsville last Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Joe Stokes, Misses Perry and Evans went to Murfreesboro last Sunday.

Mr. J. J. Beasley and son went to Ahoskie last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Morris made a business trip to Windsor last Monday.

Mesdames Taylor and Powell of Harrellsville were in town last Monday afternoon.

Mrs. J. J. Beasley returned from Baltimore last Monday. She was accompanied by Miss Mitchell who will trim for her this season. Mrs. Beasley has an up-to-date line of goods.

Mesdames L. E. Stokes and E. L. Stokes made a visit to Windsor Monday.

Mr. G. M. Holly left last Monday for treatment in a hospital in Norfolk.

Mr. J. S. Deans, Mesdames Deans, Harrell and Sykes of Ahoskie were callers in town last Monday.

Mrs. E. W. Shields of Merry Hill was a visitor in town Monday.

Mesdames Holliman and Hoggard of Christian Harbor were in town shopping last Monday.

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AFRICA'S GOLD COAST



One of the Peculiar Buttressed Trees of Torrid Africa.

Prepared by the National Geographic Society, Washington, D. C.

Commodities have left their names in the geography of western Africa in ascending scale. First came the Ivory Coast, followed by the Gold Coast and Slave Coast. Now that the age of coal is being threatened by the growing importance of liquid fuels, the Gold Coast, where important petroleum discoveries were recently reported, may take on a name that denotes a value surpassing all the rest—the Oil Coast.

Columbus is believed to have done some of his apprentice exploring along the Gold Coast shores before he set sail for America and many an emancipated slave of our southland could find his family tree among the natives of this British colony. The colony lies "under the eaves" of Africa, with the Gulf of Guinea due south of it. The golden age of the Gold Coast, commercially considered, was in the days of flourishing slave trade, and the oil fields promise again to outbuy the entire product of the gold grains winnowed from the sands of the many rivers of this region.

When you read that three-fourths of the colony is covered with thick forests you get a very inadequate idea of what you would see could you look upon the amazing fastnesses of Bombax trees, piercing the skyline at a hundred feet, with columnar trunks, free from branches below the top quarter length. The trees you know best at home are like lebers in that their bases, or root systems, are under the surface. These foreign giants remind you of your children's Christmas tree, buttressed by what look to be huge triangular supports. Should you dig beneath one of these buttresses you would find tiny tendrils, such as those which might nourish a sapling. In the spaces between these buttresses natives sometimes pitch primitive tents.

The impression of a forest of telephone poles is further conveyed by great cables sagging from tree to tree. These "creepers" are popularly known as monkey-ropes, appropriately enough, since many varieties of monkeys are to be found in these forests.

The Gold Coast colony stretches along some 270 miles of harborless coast, and extends back for about half that distance to the border of Ashanti, its government seat, Accra, which escapes by only a few degrees of having both a latitude and longitude of zero, is reputed to be especially unhealthy. The entire region is hot and damp, has two rainy seasons, and is swept by that peculiar dust-laden Sahara wind, the harmattan.

Along this coast lies Kormantine, famous as the place where slaves first were exported, which gave the name, Kormantynes, to the West Indies slaves from the region.

Of the estimated population of a million, fewer than 2,000 are Europeans. The most noted of the native peoples are the Fanti, whose women of light brown skin are pretty. Their favorite perfume is distilled from the excrement of snakes. Shark flesh, sun dried, is a favorite edible. Among them, as among many primitive fighting peoples, mothers are held in high esteem. Property is inherited by the oldest son of the oldest sister. Land is held in a communal fashion, the possession of a gold "stool" being the badge of a chief's authority to the lands over which he holds sway. Areas are assigned to families but they revert to the community upon the holder's death.

Trees, plants, animals, snakes and insects are found in amazing variety. Here, as in many other verdant trop-

ical regions, flowers are not nearly so abundant. The animate curiosity of the Gold Coast is the driver-ant, which also constitutes its worst pest. The driver-ants constitute the standing army of the insect world. They have a system of caste and rank, and the naturalist gravely tells that the workers are a quarter of an inch long, the soldiers about half an inch, while the stately officers reach seven-eighths of an inch.

Results of the World War.
As a result of the World War, Great Britain added to her Gold Coast colony an area of about 12,500 square miles which was formerly part of German Togoland. A portion twice as large went to France. The new British addition to the Gold Coast lies along the eastern border and stretches away in the shape of a lens far to the north.

Germany annexed Togoland in 1894, the year she launched upon her colonial expansion with the acquisition also of northeastern New Guinea and the Bismarck archipelago. Togoland was the first colony to dispense with imperial subsidy. Along the seacoast Togoland's soil is rich and sandy, its climate warm and moist. The hinterland is higher, wooded and drier, but seldom arid. Thus the land is adapted to a wide variety of products, among which the growing of coconuts, corn, rice, tobacco and coffee already has been highly successful. The exports include considerable quantities of ivory, kernels, copra, palm oil and rubber.

This colony affords a commentary upon Germany's application of bureaucratic methods to her possessions. Despite heavy German emigration to the United States and South America, and despite her effort to divert this flow to her colonies, only about 300 Germans were to be found among the million natives of Togoland in 1910. Most of the 300 were engaged in government service, either in the coast cities of Lome, a made-to-order town which Germany planted on the site of a fishing village, and Little Popo, or the inland government stations at Misahopa or Bismarckburg.

Togoland, too, was along the famous Slave Coast of Africa.

About the Dahomeys.
The Dahomeys, natives of the south, present a curious blend of shrewdness, cruelty, and superstition. Small, robust and athletic, they climb trees like monkeys, easily become fluent linguists, but cling to fetishism and still practice cannibalism.

The king of the Dahomeys is a tribal deity. He controls the lives and property of his subjects. Formerly he was regarded as more ethereal than human; he was believed to require neither food nor sleep. He strengthened that impression by having all food served to him in solitude, and hearing petitions from behind a screen. Consultation with his ministers was carried on through his wives, who were state dignitaries. Genuine Amazons formed his bodyguard, and these warrior women were reputed to be as fearless and brave as those of Greek mythology, and much more cruel.

Only the sons of the Gada, or queen, were regarded as heirs. From among the Amazons the sovereign selected other wives, but all except the favored few were celibates. The king was considered the father of all his subjects. Children were taken from their mothers at an early age and given to other families so they might form ties which would conflict with their allegiance to the king.

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