

ALATHENIAN HAD BEST OF IT IN DEBATE
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We are defeated, so the judges claimed, but the surprise of the audience at this decision, eased considerably the sting of defeat.

Lucalian Verston

On February 28 at 7:30 P. M. the Lucalian and Alathenian Literary Societies met in their annual debate, which is the most important feature of Society Day. The query debated was Resolved: That the U. S. policy of armed intervention and political interference in Latin America is justifiable. Lucalians upholding the negative side, won a unanimous decision over the Alathenian affirmative.

This debate was a great credit to Chowan, and the negative debaters were a greater credit to their society. The Alathenian debaters, Ann Downey and Elizabeth Webb, made good main speeches, but their rebuttals were weak. Bettie Walter Jenkins and Mary Lou Jones showed real oratorical ability, as well as a wide range of information, on the subject.

Bettie Walter Jenkins was given two votes as being the best individual speaker and Mary Lou Jones was given one vote. Both these debaters presented their statements in a convincing way, and proved their statements with figures and illustrations.

All the debaters showed ability in compiling facts, and drawing logical conclusions from these facts. The Lucalians, however, were generally superior debaters in the contest of their speeches, in rebuttals, and in delivery.

The Debate Again

We have noted with interest that a number of colleges are debating the same question used by the girls here.

State met Farmville State Teachers College, and the former was victorious.

Wake Forest, William and Mary, Greenville, Furman, and others have argued over the same question, or are going to.

It seems rather singular that regardless of how the question is stated, the decision of the judges is usually against the United States' policy.

What does this mean? Are we

time will bring to our great country the disorders of Russia? Are our leaders, who have charge of our government, unfit to form policies for our Nation? Are our judges incapable of deciding on what really proves in an argument? Or are they biased, prejudiced, or what? Do all of the best debaters happen to be on the side against our government? These are questions that will may be asked and carefully considered.

ADVICE FROM A FRESHMAN
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spare time down town reading cheap magazines, such as True Romance, and The Red Book? Our library is full of good magazines that should be read by every girl in Chowan College. For instance, the "Golden Book" and the quality magazines. If you have never met up with them, spend an afternoon making their acquaintance. Read the newspapers and magazines in order that you may make good business and professional women, for you cannot unless you know what is happening in the world, and know something, at least, about good literature.

DID YOU KNOW
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world is calling for girls with lives such as are found in Chowan's student body. Practically all of the girls belong to the B. Y. P. U. and Y. W. A. In addition to this, a number of the girls belong to the Student Volunteer Band. This is one advantage the Chowan students have over some other colleges, especially state schools. The results of these organizations are seen all over the state through the girls that come from Chowan's student body.

There is a very pleasant social life that exists among the students. Every girl feels herself on the level with the other. There are no so called "Society Bunches" at Chowan, but all feel as one big family.

B. Y. P. U. OFFICERS NAMED

The B. Y. P. U. in general assembly elected the following officers for the year 1928-'29.

- Director ----- Ruby Daniel
- Ass. Director ----- Odessa Moss
- Secretary ----- Jessie H. Belch
- Cor. Secty. --- Mary F. Mitchell
- Treasurer ----- Jewell Creech
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- Chorister ----- Frances Plythe

THE RIGHT PLACE—CHOWAN

As I stood on the beautiful campus, And looked at the college so tall, I thought of the girls who had been there, And the ones who had not been at all. Some have been singularly blessed— They've enjoyed a wonderful treat; Others a wonderful opportunity are missing, For it's a college that can't be beat.

As I stood on the beautiful campus, And felt its caress and good cheer, I thought of the lives in service spent, Because of the chance to study here. Hear, girls all over our state,

developing disloyal citizens who in Cast your lot with this college grand; She sends out women of worth and fame, Great places to fill all over the land. Elizabeth Chamblee, '31.

THE FRESHMEN'S ENGLISH COURSE

Write—Write—write, Till the brain begins to swim; Write—write—write, Till the eyes are heavy and dim; Letters and poems and themes, And everything, it seems, Till over the paper I fall asleep And write them over in my dream —MRS. C. LAWRENCE

THOUGHTS UPON ENTERING COLLEGE

We are standing on the threshold Of a new and untried day, Like sailors on the high seas Or voyagers on the bay.

The way looks rough and perilous, There are billows on every hand; The journey appears long and dreary, With trips to many a land.

Help us, O Father in heaven, Our strength we pray renew; O, guide us upward ever In all we strive to do.

When college days are over, And our ship sets sail again O, Father, on life's stormy waters, May we ever look to Thee. Mrs. Vann '31.

THE WORSE BREAK I EVER MADE

One spring morning, I went over to a distant city to see my aunt, who had moved to her new home in another part of the city.

It was a beautiful morning; the birds were singing; the delicately perfumed flowers nodded to the whispering breeze; and the warm sunshine filled the whole earth with its silent glory. I was so radiant with joy over the beauties of the morning that I paid little attention to the direction I had taken. After a short walk I came to a little cottage, ran up the steps, and rang the door bell. As soon as the last peal of the bell had echoed through the house, I realized that I was at the wrong place. I turned to go; but as I did so, the door opened and a low voice bade me come in. For several seconds I was speechless. My lips moved, but no words came.

Finally, in a voice I did not recognize as my own, I asked, "Is the lady of the house in?"

I was hoping all the time she would say "No", but to my horror she replied; "Yes, have a seat on the porch, she will be out in a few minutes."

As she went in, I looked about in amazement, hating myself for not explaining in the beginning; now it was too late, indeed it was too late. What would those people think of me?

As I stood there looking about wildly, my eyes suddenly fell upon a new house across the street. My heart almost ceased to beat. There across the street resting peacefully beneath the branches of the great oak trees, was my aunt's new home! I stood for a few minutes scarcely believing my own eyes; one swift glance about told me no one was in sight, and I rushed madly across the street into the home of my aunt, falling breathless into the first chair in sight, and leaving the strangers to wonder and wonder. It may be that they had policemen to watch their house for weeks afterwards for fear I was planning a robbery. Who knows!

AN EVENING REVERIE AMONG THE COLUMNS

As I sit on the steps of the administration building, just before the sun with each beam full of glory bids the earth a fond good night, I glance about me and playfully see the works of nature and of Man. At once many beautiful pictures are painted in my mind. I can see the lovely trees and shrubs only as they are now, yet I know nothing of their past life. I enter the hall and run quickly to my room for the annual which will probably furnish me with the information that I desire. Once again I am seated on the steps.

First of all, I find that when the sight was first purchased in 1851, the grounds were only a waste of brown sedge. In 1856 Doctor McDowell, who was Co-principal of the institution, employed landscape gardeners to beautify the grounds. The walks and drive-ways were laid off and trees and shrubs were planted. This part of the work was soon completed, but Doctor McDowell kept making improvements on the grounds. The gigantic pines, which sway to and fro in an endless murmur and attract everyone's attention, was his own idea. The two beautiful magnolia trees, which are near the main building, were brought from his home near Cander, S. C.; and the white

rose bush, which blooms so beautifully near East Building was dead; The winter months are cold and dreary, And in summer, we always feel weary.

The Crow's nest, a gift in 1916 by a senior to her class, and for the succeeding seniors, exclusively, is also one of many things of interest to be found on the campus. I find that the stone fountain and the two summer houses, which once occupied corresponding positions on the central walk, were also older remembrances of Chowan's daughters.

Ah! As I glance up from my book, I see a lovely bird of brightest red fly across the middle walk and light in a cedar tree. How beautiful the cardinal looks among the green! What a peaceful song he sings. Spring surely must be near.

The sun has disappeared and each minute it is growing darker. I begin to wonder what kind of person one could be to say he or she sees nothing of beauty or interest on Chowan's Campus, or who could picture things of more beauty and greatness than are displayed before us now. I can not conceive of a person who would not be willing to try to make our campus even more attractive than it is now.

A sudden tap on the shoulder startles me, and looking up I see my room-mate who exclaims, "Come old top, didn't you hear the bell?"

SPRING

"Summer, winter, spring and fall! Which do you like the best of all? I like the beautiful spring, Because the birds always sing.

In fall months, the trees begin to shed, And everything looks ugly, and

So of summer, winter, spring, or fall, I like spring the best of all. If spring in a year, would only come twice: This world to me, would be Paradise.

Everyone feels happy and gay, That's why I long to see the day, So, hurry! kind nature, and bring us spring, Then praises to thee, we'll gladly sing." —JULIA HOBBS, '31

OLD CHOWAN

Surely, the best place is home, For it's a friendly and home-like. But next to it comes old Chowan, For it's a friendly and home-like too.

And no one can take mother's place, In rearing and training a girl; But next to her comes old Chowan The dearest spot in the world. —RUSSELL WARD, '31.

CHOWAN

Chowan College, the good and the great.

Let's make it the first in the state! Classmates, come! Hear the call! Make Chowan the best of all! Boost to the skies its well known fame; Make the world confess its name. We want Chowan to be the best Of all Colleges, east or west. EMMA GAY STEPHENSON, '31.

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