

### B. S. U. NOTES

The B. S. U. extends its heartfelt sympathy to its president, Maywood Modlin, who is ill at her home at present, and sincerely hopes for her speedy recovery and return to the campus.

Last Thursday night the B. S. U. Council and the Y. W. A. Council entertained Miss Alva Laurence at an old-fashioned candy pulling in the old Junior tearoom. While the candy was cooking, games were played by the girls and pranks were played upon many. The guests bobbed for apples and then as the "cooks" announced that the candy was ready for pulling, the girls settled down to serious labor. Many had never tried to pull candy before and their experiences were very amusing. Everyone became very "stuck-up" and mutual condolences were exchanged. When the candy was finished, the guests ate the results of their labors and then departed, tired but declaring they had had a most enjoyable time.

#### Y. W. A.

Don't forget the Y. W. A. State Mission offering in March. Our aim is twenty-five dollars and it may be easily reached if everyone will contribute.

#### B. Y. P. U.

An interesting contest is being held in B. Y. P. U. It consists of a ladder with four tags, on each of which is the name of one of the B. Y. P. Unions. Each time a union makes a grade of 95 percent that union's tag is moved up a round on the ladder. The two unions reaching the top first will be entertained by the other two unions.

The annual B. Y. P. U. Study Course was held last week. Miss Mabel Starnes, a state B. Y. P. U. worker from Raleigh, and Mr. Lonnie Reavis, of Wake Forest, conducted the courses which lasted from February 20 to February 24. The classes were well attended, and proved very beneficial and inspiring.

### BASKET MAKING

Men, saws, machines, and heat are all indispensable to the fascinating business of making baskets at the Riverside Manufacturing Company. The main factory is located near the highway intersection at the east end of Murfreesboro.

Interested visitors may see each step in the transformation of a poplar, gum, or pine log into baskets whose merits are recognized from Maine to Florida. Gardeners, fruit growers, and truck farmers use these containers for their fruits and vegetables unmindful of

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the numbers of men and ceaseless activity necessary to produce them.

After being steamed to increase the pliability of fibers, the logs are sliced into sheets of the desired length, ranging from one-eighth to one-sixty-fourth inch in thickness. Bottoms for the baskets are made in the branch factory at Rich Square and then brought to Murfreesboro. Hoops, bottoms, nails, and the strips used for the sides become baskets almost magically, the speed and accuracy of the operators making it possible.

Baskets vary in size and construction according to the use for which each is intended. Baskets for sweet potatoes and apples, for instance, are much more substantial than those made for spinach, beans, etc. Sizes range from four to forty-quart capacity. By adjusting all machines to the same standard, several carloads of apple baskets may be manufactured in a day. The type of basket made at a given time is largely determined by the season and its needs.

Baskets are usually still damp when completed. To prevent molding or discoloration they are thoroughly bleached and dried in a drying room in which they are kept for a very short time. Often in winter they are stored in open sheds to dry, but in summer this would be impossible on account of the darkening effect of so much sunlight.

Visitors are sometimes given small baskets as souvenirs of their trip through the factory. Some of these are made by hand, a skillful worker being able to make as high as three hundred in one day. Each basket is stamped with a special design used as a trademark, and standard sizes are maintained by government inspection four times annually. Decorative touches are sometimes added by dyeing the top hoop of each basket green.

NELL SAMPLE.

### THE CHOWAN B. Y. P. U. DOES EXTENSION WORK

On January 29 a group of Chowan girls went to Gatesville to give a demonstration B. Y. P. U. program at the Gatesville B. Y. P. U.

The topic used for the program was "Our Need of Christ in the Southland". The devotional was conducted by Miss Velve Howard, director of the B. Y. P. U. at Chowan. Miss Hannah Clinard talked on the topic, "Southern Baptists Need Jesus in the World-Wide Missionary Program". In a continuation of the same idea Miss Rhodes Holder spoke on the subject, "Southern Baptists Need Jesus in Their Churches". The thought was completed with Miss Maywood Modlin's talk, "Southern Baptists Need Jesus in Every Day Life".

Miss Katherine Martin sang "The Beautiful Garden of Prayer". She was accompanied by Miss Mary Seymour.

The Chowan B. Y. P. U. is anxious to help other B. Y. P. U.'s and to be helped by them. Through extension work they hope to accomplish this aim.

### IMPORTANCE OF CHOICE TOPIC OF CHAPEL TALK

In an address to the students and faculty of Chowan College in the college auditorium on Monday, February 6, Mr. T. W. Griffin, of Manteo, N. C., and Washington, D. C., spoke on the importance of choosing the worthwhile thing in life. As a basis for his remarks Mr. Griffin chose the story of the rich young ruler who came to Christ asking what he must do to be saved.

"This young man," said Mr. Griffin, "had three things which should have made him happy. He had wealth which made it possible for him to obtain what was necessary for comfort and pleasure; he had youth which enabled him to face life with enthusiasm; and he had a high position which gave him

power both socially and politically. Furthermore, he had lived a clean, moral life, because he told Christ that he had kept the commandments from his youth up. Still the youth felt that something was lacking. When he came to Christ seeking this one thing, Christ looked on him and loved him, but told him to go sell all his goods and give it to the poor. The young man, unwilling to do this, went away sorrowfully."

"And so," concluded Mr. Griffin, "the rich young ruler lost salvation because he was not willing to pay the price. How often do we lose the most important things in life because we are not willing to pay the price of temporary discomfort for the things that are worthwhile."

### FUN SAVES THE DAY

On February 9 the Chowan girls played the Elizabeth City Comets in Elizabeth City and were defeated with a score of 26-48.

Although the girls were defeated, the general opinion seems to be that the defeat was made up for by the fun that everyone had.

To begin with Fate dealt them quite a blow when a tire went flat fifteen miles from Elizabeth City, causing part of the players to reach there when the game was half over.

It is said that after Cora Smith had been in the game for a few minutes she called to the guards and said: "I'm not having any good time; if you'll throw that ball down here, I'll put it in."

Had all the other players possessed the spirit of Beulah Lee they probably would have won. Beulah had the power and she mowed the players down, leaving them flat. If the others had tried this, Chowan could have left Elizabeth City "flooded".

#### WE WONDER WHY?

Ruth Stephenson is glad that a Duke student has been added to the Chowan Co-Ed list.

Wilma Council is so fond of the Wake Forest ministers.

Cora Felton Bass likes to visit in Sunbury.

Grits is the favorite dish at Chowan for breakfast.

There are so many girls who like to remain in Main Hall.

Lou Wilson Evans is interested in high school principals.

Pat Taylor answers "present" when Emerald Taylor's name is

called.

Robert Turner likes the town of Ahoskie.

### MUCH INTEREST IN Y. W. A. STUDY COURSE

The interest shown in the Y. W. A. study courses held by Miss Alva Laurence, State Young People's Secretary, February 6-10, shows that Chowan's Y. W. A. is progressive.

Two classes were held each day. At the regular chapel hour Miss Laurence taught "For My Countryman's Salvation", a Home Mission book. In connection with that she used the book "People of the Jesus Way," which is a study of the American Indian and his needs. Indian mission work is being emphasized throughout the state this spring. At night Miss Laurence taught the Y. W. A. Manual. Most of the Y. W. A. members took at least one course and are looking forward to receiving their seals and certificates.

Attractive posters had been announcing the Study Course for over a week. More interest has been shown in Y. W. A. work this year than in several years.

The Chowan Y. W. A. is sponsoring R. A. and G. A. organizations in the local church, benefiting both the college girls and the children who are much interested in mission work.

Miss Hight (on freshman history class): What is a sarcophagus?

Silence!

Miss Hight: Doesn't anyone know?

Dick Murrill: Yes 'um, it is an organ found in the throat.

Lou Wilson Evans: Yes, it is geography, says in a questioning way: The Euphrates River is in Asia?

because it is in Egypt and that is in Asia.

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