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## MISS MATHER CONDUCTS Y. W. A. STUDY COURSES AT CHOWAN

### MISS CURRIN ASSISTS IN THE STUDY WORK

"Basil Lee Lockett" is the Book for Study

Miss Juliet Mather, southwide Young People's leader, and Miss Mary Currin, state Young People's leader for the W. M. U., conducted the annual missionary study course for the college Y. W. A. during the week-end of October 9. The text used for the course was "Basil Lee Lockett" by his wife, Elkin Lightfoot Lockett, published within this year.

Using this book as a basis for the study of mission work in Africa, Miss Mather centered her class discussion around the following topics: (1) Lockett's early life in America, (2) The Africa that Lockett found as a young medical missionary, (3) The value of such missionaries to Africa.

Miss Mather arrived Friday evening in time to meet the study group for the first class period. She delightfully introduced the character of Dr. Lockett and the field of his missionary activities, and thus prepared the way for the following study.

Following the first class period the guests were given the opportunity of meeting the students in a very informal dormitory party from 9:45 to 10:15. The students, dressed in pajamas and negligees, gathered into one of the dormitory rooms which had been comfortably and attractively furnished with Japanese lanterns and numerous floor pillows. While tea was served Miss Mather entertained them by relating many of her experiences on her recent trip through Europe and Africa, and showing them various souvenirs from these countries.

The study course was resumed on Saturday and completed before the day closed. The examination for those taking the course will be held at a later date.

Some of the points emphasized by Miss Mather, as she directed the study, were as follows:

While Basil Lockett was yet a very young man, Africa called to him through the book "David Livingston". At seventeen years of age while on a wagon load of wood going across the open prairies, Basil felt God's call to preach. He looked upon life as a great adventure to be of service to mankind. At Baylor University, Basil fell desperately in love with Josie Still. This was the cause of his saying after Dr. R. J. Willingham's sermon in 1900, "The Lord is calling me to Africa, and I cannot go". After a midnight struggle with God in the tabernacle, Basil started preparing to go to Africa. As he was interested in the Negro question, he started the Negro Mission in Louisville. He received his degree in medicine.

The Africa Lockett found was indeed dark and without the light of Jesus Christ. These were "medicine men" attempting to cure the diseases. Medical care was unheard of in the parts of Africa Lockett traveled through. The women did all the house work, cared for the children, and provided for the family by farming. The plows used were sticks. The homes were in a deplorable condition of filth. Leprosy and fevers were incurable. The natives cherished the footprints of a man and a goat as the last sign of the god who had left them. They worshipped little beaded gods. Miss Mather displayed many of the toys, musical instruments, cosmetics, (Continued on page 3)

## Home Economics Club Reorganized

Steps Taken to Join State and National Home Associations

The home economics majors met Saturday morning, October 3, in the clothing laboratory to reorganize their club and to plan the work for the coming year.

Ethel Jones, the president of last year's club, presided until she turned over her duties to the new president Edith Johnson.

Definite steps were taken to join the State and National Home Economics Association, immediately, enabling the club to keep in touch with the work being done in other home economics departments.

The plans for this year's work are centered around the purpose to develop and increase interest in the Home Economics department. The programs will include every phase of work being carried on in the department. Indoor as well as outdoor programs will be featured.

A committee was appointed by (Continued on page 4)

## Sophomore Day Is Observed Here

Was Trying Day for the Freshmen; Ends With a Party

Sophomore Day, "little hell for freshmen", was held Tuesday, October 6. It was a day of fun, a grand parade for the freshmen and sophomores, ridiculous stunts, practical and humorous jokes, and general torture for the freshmen.

The day's fun began about six o'clock when the youngest members of our institution were rudely awakened, dragged from their beds, and given orders for the day by the sophomore captains. When the rest of the students and the faculty members came down for breakfast, they were met in the dining hall by a receiving line composed of thirty-six freshmen girls. All were in evening dresses, elaborate make-up, and tennis shoes. All kinds of hair styles were in fashion. The girls presented an amusing picture of "what the well-dressed college girl shouldn't wear".

The freshmen conformed to a unique code of dining room etiquette throughout the day. Before sitting in their chairs, they dusted them very carefully with large chicken feathers. They were not allowed to have sugar and cream in their cereals and coffee, and were required to eat with their left hands. For lunch they were given onion sandwiches while others in the dining room enjoyed banana pudding for dessert. Throughout these meals different students obeyed the requests of the sophomores and entertained for the amusement of those present.

The sophomores had charge of the chapel program on this day. The main feature of the program was a beauty contest in which Emma Alice Sumner won first place, and Thelma Atkins ran a close second. Ebb Sawyer, Ernest Pettway, and Hunter Eure sang with great inharmony a trio, "I Ain't Gwine Study War No More". Margaret Blythe gave an inter- (Continued on page 3)

## Virginia Pastors Pledge Support Chowan Program

DR. J. L. PEACOCK ADDRESSES PASTORS

Former Relations Renewed and Gift Made

Over forty Baptist pastors of the Portsmouth and Blackwater associations of Virginia and of the Chowan and West Chowan associations of North Carolina met at the college on Monday, October 19, for the purpose of renewing Southern Virginia's interest in the college.

The pastors were here to make plans to return to the support that Southern Virginia gave Chowan when she was founded by Baptists in the old Portsmouth Association of Virginia and the old Chowan Association of North Carolina. The old Portsmouth Association consisted of southside Virginia, extending as far north as Petersburg. The old Chowan Association was made up of what is now the Chowan, West Chowan and Pamlico associations of Eastern North Carolina. The North Carolina associations have kept up their support of the college, but the Virginia associations have allowed their support to cease. The pastors of Virginia, however, met ready to put their support behind the college.

In the afternoon session Dr. Roy R. McCulloch presented the blue print of the future Chowan to the pastors and explained the plans that have been made. The pastors accepted the plan and voted to support it. As a substantial foretaste of what they intend to do in the way of supporting the plan, the ministers pledged a personal gift of \$400. A considerable sum of that amount was given Monday afternoon before the conference closed.

The afternoon session grew out of the morning conference in which Dr. J. L. Peacock, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Tarboro and president-emeritus of Shaw University, addressed the pastors on the subject of "Christian Education". "Christian education is education plus," announced (Continued on page 4)

## W. M. U. to Give \$300 for House

Definite steps were taken and plans made by the executive committee of the Woman's Missionary Union of the West Chowan Association on Monday, October 5, to aid the home economics department in their project on the Practice House by voting to give the sum of \$300.

The executive committee which consists of various W. M. U. presidents in the association, in their regular monthly meeting, heard Miss Lottie Simmons, head of the home economics department, present the plans for the new project.

The general plan is to remodel the Stone Cottage for a Practice House. On the first floor will be the living room, the dining room and the kitchen, which will also serve as the foods laboratory for the home economics department. The second floor will be used for bedrooms. In addition to the old furniture and equipment now in the foods laboratory, the plan of the kitchen calls for a new electric range, a new sink and new cabinet work, and plumbing. New furniture for the dining room will have (Continued on page 3)

## DR. A. J. SMITH ADDRESSES STUDENTS ON FOUNDER'S DAY

### College B. T. U. Merges With Local

The Chowan B. T. U., under the direction of Miss Carmen Morgan, general director of the college organization, joined with the church B. T. U. Sunday evening, October 11, for the purpose of making a stronger union of the college and the church. The prospects seem to be encouraging.

Lowell Sodeman, music director of the Baptist Student Council, led the song service during the opening assembly, after which the various unions went to their respective rooms for their programs.

The three remaining college unions are the Eunice McDowell with Walter Dudley as president, and Miss Caroline Gay, sponsor; Nell Lawrence with Beatrice Martin, president, and Miss Dorothy Evans, sponsor; Mattie Macon Norman with Florence Ward, president, and Miss Grace Parker, sponsor.

The intermediate union, under the leadership of Miss Grace Parker, had its program at the same hour and joined with the other unions in the general assembly.

Following the union meetings a (Continued on page 4)

## Point System is Begun in Athletics

Loving Cup and Letters to Be Given for Most Points Made During Year

Under the leadership of Miss Bruce, physical education director, a well-rounded program of wholesome athletics has been adopted by the Athletic Association. Leaders for the various activities on the campus are as follows: student association president, Frances Jilcott; baseball, Margaret Adams; soccer, Mary Long; tennis, Janice Jenkins; track, G. C. Butler; swimming, Martha Seymour; basketball manager, Martha Seymour; volley ball, Emma Alice Sumner; hiking, Ann Frances Jones; and horseshoe manager, Walter Dudley.

A tentative point system has been worked out by Miss Bruce which has been accepted as a standard to work for. Individuals will work for college athletic letters and numerals. Classes will work for the loving cup award.

**Tentative Point System**  
Loving cup given to the class winning the most points for one year.

Individuals scoring 1500 points will be a Block C; 1000 points, a Gothic C, and 500 points, Numerals.

Volley ball—Winner of tournament (class only), 100 points; second (class only), 50 points; every class practice attended, 3 points; playing all of game, 15 points; playing half of game, 7 points; playing 5-7 minutes of game, 5 points.

Tennis—Classes same as in volley ball—First place in class, 25 points; second place in class, 15 points; each game played in, 5 points.

Soccer—Classes receive points as above as above; individuals receive points in volley ball.

Song contest—Classes only—First place, 100 points; second in song contest, 50 points.

President of Athletic Association—100 points; any other officer (Continued on page 3)

## ADDRESS "CHRISTIAN EDUCATION" GIVEN

Reception Given in Honor of Speaker and New Faculty Members

Founder's Day at Chowan came to a close Thursday night, October 15, at 8 o'clock, with an address in the college auditorium by Dr. A. J. Smith, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Goldsboro, who spoke on Christian education, using as his theme "Unless education and Christianity plus that dynamic force in our hearts pushes us out to conquer the unconquerable, we haven't attained Christian education". A reception for the speaker and the new faculty members followed the address.

According to the custom, the student body marched into the auditorium and the audience stood while they sang "Hall, Alma Mater". After the invocation, Miss Forrest DeLano, head of the voice department, accompanied by Miss Inez Matthews, sang two numbers, "Take Joy Home" and "Morning".

"I am glad to be here," said Dr. Smith in the beginning, "because I have the opportunity to speak to young people. Young people have an important influence on the world today."

"There is no subject more vitally important than a clear understanding of Christian education," said Dr. Smith. "It is not surprising that Christianity and education go hand in hand. We cannot think of education at its highest and best unless it is at heart Christian."

Dr. Smith continued by pointing out what Christian education is not and then what it is. "Some think," he said, "that Christian education is education under Christian auspices. That is one of the fundamentals but it is not all. Otherwise would be satisfied with the proper curriculum while still others would be satisfied with the proper faculty. Christian education does not depend altogether on these fundamentals. Many have received Christian education without going to a so-called Christian college. Also many have been educated at a Christian College without attaining a Christian education.

"Christian education is the attainment of an attitude in this life that puts us in the school of the fellowship of Jesus," stated the speaker. "The straightest path to this attitude is through a Christian school."

"Christian education has all the fundamentals of education plus a Christ-given objective, fellowship, and challenge," continued Dr. Smith. "The objective is 'Seek ye first the kingdom of God'. No matter what you are doing, put the search for the kingdom of God first."

"Jesus said, 'Ye are my friends'. The world is a friendly place with God as its center. We must learn to see it as it is and love it. Love that is sufficiently powerful is the only solution to world problems. When you sell life as it is," said Dr. Smith, "bring to it the warmth of Christian love. That will give you a Christian education."

The address was followed by a reception in the college parlors in honor of the speaker and new members of the faculty. Miss Schaible, dean of the faculty, introduced the guests to the receiving line which was formed in the front parlor. The line was composed of Dr. and Mrs. McCulloch, Dr. and Mrs. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Sanders, Dr. and Mrs. Gillaspie, (Continued on page 4)