

Student Govern't Elects Its Officers

Mattie Grey Hoggard is Chowan President; Retiring Council Entertains

The Student Government officers for 1937-38 were elected during the chapel period, Tuesday, March 16, from the names submitted by the nominating committee to the Student Body, Thursday, February 25.

From the nominations the following officers were elected: President, Mattie Grey Hoggard; vice-president, Jean Holloman; house president, Marion Holloman; secretary, Edith Evans; and treasurer, Wertie Lee Marsh.

Mattie Grey Hoggard served as class representative on the council during her Sophomore year and as secretary during her Junior year. She has also been active in other organizations. She is now president of her Sunday School class and is serving the second year as a Y. W. A. Circle leader. She has served as Sunday School representative on the Baptist Student Union Council, and is at present the third vice president which is the devotional chairman. She is not only popular with the students and the faculty but is very responsible and capable of holding the position as student government president.

Jean Holloman, as vice president, has shown her many talents and has done much to help her class in the three years she has been in school here.

Marion Holloman, as house president, is capable of holding this position. Since she has been here she has been president of the Junior class general secretary of B. Y. P. U., Secretary of the Alathenian Society, and Secretary of the B. S. U. Council.

Edith Evans, as Secretary, comes to Chowan from E. C. T. C. During this year she has been elected president of the Sophomore class and is very capable of holding her position on the council.

Wertie Lee Marsh, as treasurer, has shown her ability in many ways during her freshman year.

The nominating committee is composed of the president of the ten major student officers on the campus, with the president of the Student Government Council serving as chairman.

This committee on February 25, nominated two candidates for each office of the Student Government Association. These names were recommended first to the students and then to the faculty. In both cases the report of the committee was unanimously accepted. The names submitted were as follows: president, Mattie Grey Hoggard and Carmen Morgan; vice president, Anna Frances Jones and Jean Holloman; House president, Florence Ward and Marion Holloman; Secretary, Edith Evans and Pauline Byrum; and treasurer, Wertie Lee Marsh and Johnston Hale.

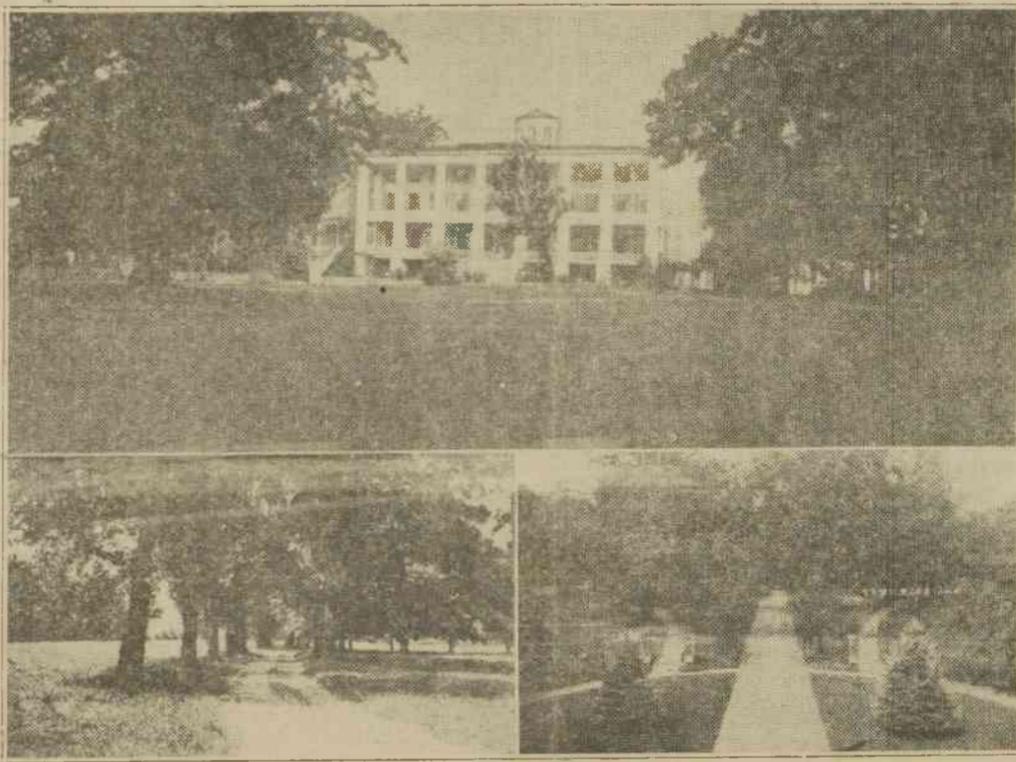
On Tuesday, March 23, the installation service was held in which the old officers gave over their duties to the new council.

After the election of officers for the Student Government Association, the retiring members of the council entertained the new council members with a theater party Thursday night, March 18. Mrs. Mary Kennedy was guest of honor.

The picture of the evening was Camille, starring Greta Garbo and Robert Taylor. After the show, the group went to "The Red Apple" where they enjoyed a real feed on chicken salad sandwiches and drinks.

Those enjoying the occasion
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Scenes At Chowan College



ALATHENIANS WIN OUT IN ANNUAL SOCIETY CONTESTS

The Alathenian and Lucalian Literary Societies of Chowan College held their annual Society Day Friday, March 5. The day was filled with contests in athletics, reading and debating.

The morning was taken up in tennis and basketball in which the Alathenians were victorious. Mary Long and Marion Holloman represented the Alathenians and Beatrice Martin and Elizabeth Howard, the Lucalians.

The two readers for the contest in the afternoon were Miss Frances Edwards, Lucalian and Miss Janice Jenkins, Alathenian. Miss Jenkins received two votes to Miss Edwards' one. The judges were Mrs. Mayon Parker of Ahoskie, Mrs. Wesley Beale of Franklin, and Mrs. W. D. Boone of Winton.

The debate on Friday night was the last of the contests. The query was, Resolved: That congress should be empowered to regulate maximum hours and minimum wages for industry.

Misses Ruth Taylor and Katherine Matthews, with A. Frances Jones as alternate, represented the Alathenian Society in upholding the affirmative. Misses Martha Seymour and Mary Smith with Mary Alice Williams as alternate represented the Lucalians in the negative. The decision was rendered in favor of the affirmative. The judges were Mr. G. M. Rains of Courtland, Va. Mr. Winfield Crewe of Roanoke Rapids and Rev. D. F. Waddell of Ahoskie.

After the debate all college students, faculty, friends and visitors enjoyed a reception in the college parlor honoring the readers and debaters.

SENIORS SPONSOR BEAUTY CONTEST

The Senior Class is sponsoring a program of unusual interest in the college auditorium, on Tuesday evening, March 30.

The main attraction is to be a beauty contest under the direction of Mr. H. M. Purviance of Boykins, Va. There will be three groups of beauties—small girls, young ladies, and couples. The entrants in the contest are sponsored by various firms of Murfreesboro and neighboring towns. The sponsors will be announced
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CHOWAN FACES A CRISIS THAT THREATENS HER LIFE

Students Play Important Part At Convention

Norman L. Blythe Wins in Contest; "A Soldier of the Cross" Presented

Chowan College students played an important part in the Eastern Carolina Regional B. T. U. Convention at Elizabeth City, March 12, 13.

Having been given the responsibility of presenting a play at the Friday night session, "A Soldier of the Cross" was selected by Miss Carmen Morgan, B. T. U. Director at the College. This is the same play presented a short time ago in the College auditorium. Many commendable remarks were heard concerning the effectiveness of the play. Many reported it to be the most effective and inspirational drama they had ever seen of that nature. A number of invitations were extended for the play to be presented in other places. It is probable that the players will go to Lumberton, N. C., on Friday evening, March 26, to present the play before the Regional Convention of that section.

Chowan College was well represented on Saturday afternoon during the last session when the Speaker's Contest was held. As an entry from the West Chowan Association, Norman L. Blythe won first place, speaking for five minutes on "Faith Produces Works." The material was well selected and effectively presented according to the judges. As a reward, Norman goes to the B. T. U. Summer Assembly at Ridgecrest, N. C., in June, all expenses paid by the state department.

At the home-assignment desk it was learned that at least ten different homes had asked for Chowan students. Many Chowan graduates of former years were present and expressed their pleasure in seeing the College so well represented in the Convention.

A number of students stayed over night for the sessions of Saturday. These were made up most
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Past History Show Interesting Facts; Let Chowan Live

Today Chowan College stands bravely with one foot on the stable ground of the past and the other reaching into the uncertainty of tomorrow. May the quick sand never draw her noble head under! Chowan was founded in 1848. From that year, the college has marched bravely on, surviving many crises which far surpass the one she now faces. Even being moved from her early foundation in '52 and being placed in her present situation did not cause her to falter in her onward march.

Then, in 1861 came the Civil War. Soldiers from the Union and Confederate Armies came and went, food was scarce and money was scarcer, but Chowan never closed her doors. And remember, Chowan was the one college in the state that did not close during these terrible days. If she stood all of that, can she not withstand the slight tempest that is threatening her today? Her daughters love her now as then and eastern Carolina needs her more than ever.

During the depression before the World War, the college faced a crisis similar to the present one. It was having a hard struggle for existence. Equipment was badly needed. The most pressing needs were heating and lighting plants, a system of sewerage and waterworks. These immediate needs were met through endowments, subscriptions, and pledges. Today,
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ELEANOR PAYNE ELECTED QUEEN OF THE MAY

Miss Eleanor Payne has been elected May Queen of 1937 by a vote of the student body and will be crowned at the annual May Day Festival which will be held in May.

Miss Payne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Douglass Payne is a member of the Senior class. She lives in Murfreesboro and has the honor of being the second day student ever to be chosen May Queen at Chowan. Since entering school here,
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Chowan Day Gets Two Associations Together Mar. 17

Final Plans to Be Made April 16; Majority Approves Plan

A mass meeting of the people of the Chowan and West Chowan Associations and the board of trustees was held in the auditorium of Chowan College Wednesday, March 17, from 10.30 a. m. to 1.30 p. m. in order to make plans for the future which is swaying in the balance between closing and remaining open. Nothing definite was decided.

Hon. J. H. Matthews, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, read the letter from Dr. J. Henry Highsmith, Chairman of the Board of Education which stated the requirements that the college must reach as a standard college before the next fall term. About \$525,000 will be needed. Mr. Matthews asked for a statement of plans from the floor to be used as a solution.

Rev. J. M. Duncan of the Metherrin Baptist Church of Murfreesboro introduced the only feasible plan. He wanted the pastors of the churches to ask their members to give the money which they have been giving to the Cooperative program directly to Chowan College. Since the two Associations have been contributing enough money to cover the amount needed it seemed both practical and Christian that Chowan College should become the Mission center for the next five years instead of Raleigh.

Dr. J. H. Bunn, pastor of the Murfreesboro Baptist Church and professor of Bible at the college offered a solution that if as many as 10,000 of the 30,000 Baptists in the two Chowan Associations would subscribe \$5.00 a year for the next five years, which he firmly believed they would do, the amount needed would be raised. Along with individual gifts which were offered and promises made by business men in Murfreesboro he believed the plan would work. The question arose, however, "Will the State accept the promise of the money?" Mr. Matthews' answer was "No."

In accepting either plan, the first one of which was more generally approved Mr. Pagum pastor of Ashley Grove and Robert's Chapel churches, suggested that Chowan needed earnest enthusiasm, prayer, and a spirit of optimism more than anything else in order to get the people's cooperation. "Boost the College" was his challenge. He firmly believed that the people have to a certain extent forgotten the college. His appeal was followed by further encouragement made by both pastors and laymen. The problem before the pastors was to get the people to consent to the plan of Mr. Duncan.

Mr. J. Mayon Parker, editor of the HERTFORD COUNTY HERALD, stated that "Charity begins at home," and pledged his cooperation with the plan. He offered to use the paper to advertise and to appeal to the people.

Mr. Elmer Parker of Murfreesboro, pledged the support of the people in the college town and offered personal gifts amounting in value to \$800.

After these suggestions, Rev. Oscar Creech of Ahoskie Baptist Church, and Mr. J. L. White of Elizabeth City made a motion to have a visiting speaker, including Mr. Matthews, to speak in as many of the churches as possible and to
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