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"KEEPING UP"

College has been started for about five weeks now. Nearly two more months and the quarter will be up. It doesn't seem as if it has been that long but "so says the calendar."

Already in my campus communications, I have heard remarks such as these, "I know I'm failing that subject," or "I'm already packed to ship out after the first quarter. I'm failing my work and there's nothing I can do about it." Here with only five weeks of college work behind us we find ourselves constantly worrying about our grades, and about whether or not we are going to pass the quarter's work and be allowed to stay on for another quarter.

Even though the worst result was nothing so serious as a student's being sent home for failing, the same situation which confronts students here existed to a lesser degree during my high school days. The problem of passing one's work loomed as a major obstacle to peace of mind.

While I am no authority on how to study, how to keep grades above the failing mark, or what adjustments each individual must undergo in order to make the grade. I still believe that there is a key to passing that students must and can, if they will, meet certain requirements to make the grade at College.

When I was a student in high school, I had a teacher who continually urged us to keep up with our work day by day. She made an effort not to let us get behind, and since coming to Chowan I have realized more fully the significance of her repeated admonition: "If you do your work day by day and keep up, when examinations come you won't have to cram so hard. When you know your daily lessons, examinations are easy."

I have become more consciously aware of the fact that in order to pass work in college, one must keep up with his work. You can never expect to make good passing grades if you don't keep your work up. It is much easier to do today's work today rather than tomorrow. There is an old saying, hackneyed, and yet forever true: "Never put off for tomorrow what you can do today." Now is the time to study for this quarter's examinations, not the night before the exam!

By studying each day, by keeping your work up, you will find exam grades much better than they ordinarily would be if you didn't keep up with your work. Although you may not make an "A" every time, if you work consistently day by day, you will have gained much more. You will have the satisfaction that you did your best. What more can be expected?

HATS OFF TO FACULTY

This being your editor's first year at college he finds himself unable to compare Chowan's Faculty with those of other colleges. Still as I consider the wonderful experiences which I as a freshman have already had here at Chowan, there is no doubt in my mind at all that Chowan's faculty is one of the best in the state.

Something wonderfully great prevails here at Chowan. That greatness is the spirit of Christ. If any one questions this remark, let me be the first to tell him that if the Spirit of Christ doesn't reside on our campus it assuredly is not the fault of our Christian faculty. If Christ is not here in spirit, we as students are responsible.

With the wonderful faculty which we have at Chowan there is no reason for any student not to avail himself of the opportunities and make this year at college a worthwhile year. I have observed that each teacher is interested in working with the students as a group and when necessary with individuals, which often times means whether or not a student makes the grade. The Christian example lived by our President, our Deans, and our Professors, certainly serves as a Christian example for each student.

Having such a fine group of adults to work with leave a most pleasant and permanent memory in the heart of Chowan student, whether he remain here one year or two years.

"CHEWING GUM FEVER"

Jucy Fruit, Wrigleys Spearmint, and even Bazooka Bubble Gum have become prominent on Chowan Campus. One does not have to strain his eyes to see clusters of gum neatly stuck under desks, alongside walls, under lunch-room furniture, while plain gobs of gum on the floor await the hard shoe soles of some unlucky student.

This is not an essay on chewing gum, but merely a reminder that college students are old enough to know better than to be careless with their gum. Chewing gum, like so many other things, is all right in its place, but it can become annoying and a nuisance when it is out of place. Certainly a college student should have more respect for college property than to stick it up and mess it up with used gum.

Even though every teacher does not ask you personally to throw away your gum, he would much prefer that you sit in class and not smack away on a wad of gum. It simply doesn't look nice or sound intelligent when a student tries to answer his teacher with gum hindering his speech.

Chewing gum in public can become embarrassing as well as annoying. I know. I'd like to relate an experience I have had in the past, one which I hope won't happen to me again because it was most embarrassing.

There was a Sunday night during Worship Service when I was acting as reverently as I thought I could. I happened to have the bubble gum habit at the time and at that particular time to my surprise, I was called upon to lead the evening prayer. I had the worst trouble in the world trying to get rid of that gum before I started praying. I think that everybody in that church saw me as I took the gum out and wrapped it neatly in my handkerchief. My face turned beet red, I was very embarrassed and I don't know how I prayed, but I did. I resolved never to chew gum during a church service.

Not only can chewing gum embarrass us; when we throw it on the floor it is making extra work for the

Letters to the Editor

October 8, 1954

Dear Editor,
Where is the abundant social life that was promised me if I would enroll at Chowan College? I have been here a total of five weeks and I have not seen one social gathering, except possibly a pep rally before a football game.

I would like to suggest that we have some sort of social gathering on weekends, perhaps after week-end ball games.

The question is raised: Who has the money to sponsor these socials? Any of the clubs could find some way to raise the money. The clubs would be influencing their own growth throughout the school.

I have stated the facts as I see them. The matter now rests with the student body of Chowan.

Respectfully,
Charles Stokes

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

October 7, 1954

Dear Editor,
As the ministerial representative on the Baptist Student Union Executive Council, I am very interested in the attendance at Vesper Services on our campus. When one is a Christian, there is no greater path of life which can be followed.

Mr. Editor, there is nothing more inspiring to me at the end of a hard day, than to go in the auditorium and hear God's word flow from the mouths of fellow students, and by this, I become even more aware of the greatness and loveliness of the Christian life. I think it is a tribute to anyone to be present at Vespers, and I, as a Christian, would like, through this letter, to invite each of you.

Yours in Christ,
John Gatling

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

October 12, 1954

Dear Editor,
A question arises in my mind as to how often the paper is going to be published this year. Some say that it will be published once a month; others tell me that the new staff plans to publish our paper twice each month.

Last year I observed while at Chowan that the staff had planned to publish the paper once each month. I believe I am correct in saying that the paper was published only five times during the complete year.

How often is the staff planning to publish "The Chowanian" this year?

Sincerely,
B. M. J.

Dear B. M. J.,
"The Chowanian" has heretofore been a monthly publication. It is the desire of your staff to print this year's paper twice each month, however, in the case that there is a lack of material and news, we shall only attempt a monthly edition.

It should be further considered that this paper, unlike most other Junior College papers, is printed right here on our campus. Our own linotype operators set the type and the entire newspaper work is carried on in the Graphic Arts building. This should be a tribute to any college paper.

The fact that the staff of "The Chowanian" is new, many of the linotype operators are new and it will take a few weeks for us to get used to our duties, may result in a delay in publication for the first two or three issues.

—The Editor

A Date With the Dean

In "A Date With the Dean" Miss Marie Smithwick, the Dean of Women, has inaugurated a series of informal and instructive discussion groups for Chowan girls. Both alliterative title and the idea for the discussions originated with Miss Smithwick although she observes that somewhat similar meetings are being used in other colleges. The purpose of the "Date With the Dean," according to Miss Smithwick is to provide an opportunity for the girls to discuss and consider the problems of social standards, etiquette, and personal appearance and standards.

The first "Date With the Dean" was held in the Main Parlor of the Main building on September 23. Following a few introductory remarks, in which she reminded the girls of the close relation between poise and self assurance, Miss Smithwick presented a demonstration table set with a cover for one person. Various aspects of table etiquette, including finger foods, difficult foods, use of knife, fork, spoon, were considered. Questions were asked throughout the discussion. The discussion on table manners concluded with the agreement that all authorities differ on some minor points, but that certain principles can always be followed. The girls were urged not to fear mistakes in etiquette but to learn to handle them with poise. Miss Smithwick expressed the ideal situation in the handling of etiquette in the following remark: "We become poised and at ease when we both know the rules of etiquette and use them without deliberation."

On Monday, September 27, the girls met to list topics for further discussion. The topics arousing most interest are the following: "The Art of Dating," "The Art of Dressing for the Occasion," "The Art of Conversation," and "How to Write an Interesting Letter."

janitors. One morning this week as I was on my way to class I saw one of our janitors trying to get some off the floor in the boys' new dorm. He was really trying his best to clean it up, but it was almost a hopeless task for him. He made the comment that he would surely appreciate it if the boys would throw their gum in the wastebaskets.

Students, in the future let's all resolve to be more careful with gum, to put it where it should be, (in wastebaskets) and not on the floors, under desks, or on the walls.

New Staff Members at Chowan

There are 12 new members of the faculty at Chowan College this year, several being additions to last year's staff, other replacements. Besides those pictured below there are:

Mr. Carl Bickers from Henderson is instructor in the Business Education Department at Chowan. He is a graduate of Wake Forest College.

Mr. G. C. Buck who is a professor of Agriculture, graduated from Wake Forest College and N. C. State College, doing special work at N. C. State College and the University of North Carolina.

Mrs. Arameta Warren, director of Girls Physical Education Department is from Lenoir, N. C. She is a graduate of the Carver School of Missions and Social Work, Louisville, Kentucky.

Mrs. Louise Wilhelm from Albemarle, N. C. is the director of the infirmary. She is a graduate of Carver School of Missions and Social Work, Louisville, Kentucky.



Miss Reba Dean Oxford, instructor in the Business Education Department came from Granite Fall. She is a graduate of Wake Forest College.



Mr. Dwight Wilhelm, who is Dean of Men and an English teacher is from Albemarle. He is a graduate of Mars Hill College, Wake Forest College, and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville Kentucky.



Mr. Levi Gillikin, professor of Math, comes from Murfreesboro. He attended Andover Newton Theological School in Massachusetts.



Miss Barbara Young, professor of piano, organ, and theory, came to Chowan College from Canton, Georgia. She is a graduate of Shorter College, Rome, Georgia, and the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music.



Mr. Marvin Pickard, professor of voice, and head of the music department of Chowan College is formally from Virginia Beach, Virginia. He is a graduate of the University of N. C. and the Appalachian State Teachers College.

If you don't know your way out of a ticklish situation, you ought not to get in one.

We don't like to admit it, but the fact is that our preferences are dictated by our ability to pay.

There's only one way to keep a desk clear and that's to make quick decisions and dispatch each little job immediately.



Mr. Roger Warren is the assistant football and basketball coach and head baseball coach, also a teacher of biology. His home is Westminster, Md. He is a graduate of Wake Forest College and West Virginia University.

BSU Tidings

The B. S. U. Council of Chowan College realizes the importance of "Remembering our Creator in the days of our youth" and we strive to "number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom." It is our hope that as we endeavor this year to present a program of inspiration and fellowship Chowan might be encompassed with a Christian atmosphere and that this might be a profitable year.

Through its many organizations, the B. S. U. seeks to reach each student. Already, the various groups have begun to cooperate in promoting our religious program.

On Friday Sept. 10, the B. S. U. Pre-School Retreat was attended

by thirteen council members. It was begun with a Fellowship Supper at the Murfreesboro Scout Hut. It was the privilege of the council to have as its guests members of the faculty and friends of the B. S. U.

The retreat program was continued as later that evening we were formally welcomed by our president, Charles Paul. During the evening we shared our experiences of the summer and planned our work for the year. Mrs. Dwight Wilhelm led us in our closing devotional.

On Saturday, the council was inspired to greater heights by several talks. Those appearing on the program were Dr. F. O. Mixon, Rev. Jarvis Teague, and Dan Page. The main speaker of the day was Miss Marie Smithwick, Dean of Women who used the retreat theme, "Christian Witnessing on the College Campus."

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