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### My Personal Experience At The Auburn Youth Convention

I believe that you have enjoyed hearing what the other girls have said about the Convention at Auburn. I will tell you only my personal experience.

At first I would like to express my appreciation to you for letting me have such a wonderful experience at the Youth Convention. This was the first Youth Convention I have ever attended.

I truly enjoyed hearing the powerful speakers, going to my Bible discussion group, and the Christian fellowship. I was glad to see so many other countries, come together to worship and study about God. This convention had a great influence in strengthening the Christian faith and witness of all these young people.

One question that came to my mind at the convention was: What is fundamental Christian love? Especially in this century Christians ought to show their love toward everyone. Christians should not hold in their minds any prejudice against others. Instead, they should strive to be perfect in the sight of God; they should love and show their Christian love in their lives in the hope of helping to make this world Christian.

In a discussion group at Auburn a student asked the question: "Can a Communist turn into a Christian?" Then another student promptly replied, "Do you think a Christian can turn into a Communist?" The group was undecided, but my answer to both questions is "yes". If a person is weak in what he believes, he may turn to an idea that is presented to him in a stronger more influential manner. But no Christian who has a deep rooted faith in God can give that up to become a Godless Communist.

I think this is a challenge to all Christians—a challenge to grow in their faith and to witness to others.

It is essential that each Christian in this century wake up and realize the great necessity and importance of his own Christian task, which will have influence on others. Our world will never be won to Christ until each Christian allows God to work through him in love. This is God's will.

A high school girl who rode with us to Auburn acted so happy and free. She had no fear in smiling or talking or singing. Even so, our hearts should always be joyful in receiving the message and will of Christ, and in serving Him by showing love to one another.

Even though Communists have made war against many Christians throughout the world, they can never cause us to give up our faith in Jesus Christ, if we have, with God's help, made ourselves strong in this faith. Let us pray that God we will want to live completely for Him and even be willing to die for Him.

—Young Sun Cha,  
 Flora Macdonald Official  
 Delegate To The Convention.

### Around The World

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Charlotte. He revealed this surprising information at a hearing before the Subversive Activities Control Board.

The sixty members of the U.N. session.

have been asked to submit their views by January 22 on a proposal that the General Assembly reconvene February 9 to take up the Korean question. For the first time those states not replying by the scheduled time will be counted as favoring the resumed session.

### "What Is An Educated Person?"

"What Is An Educated Person?" is the question Dr. Bullock confronted a panel discussion group with during an interesting and unusual chapel service last Thursday morning. Those on the panel were Kathleen Murchison, junior; Mr. David Tatum, assistant English professor; Emogeane Womeldorf, sophomore; and Dr. Charles Vardell, Jr., dean of the conservatory.

Kathleen, the first to present her views on just what an educated person is, pointed out six characteristics which she felt that an educated man should have: be well versed in his particular field, be open minded, be able to get along with all classes and races of people, have a clear awareness of the world in which he lives, be able to face problems without fear, and constantly strive to improve himself.

In giving his opinion on the subject, Mr. Tatem began with the "sophomore definition" of an educated person: "being aware of his prejudices and doing all in his power to overcome as many as he can in his lifetime." Mr. Tatem emphasized that the synonym for prejudice is ignorance, and that tolerance is not a step in education but a blind alley. Pointing out that, because of the wide scope education today, it is almost necessary for one to specialize, he stressed that at the same time one must be in sympathy with others in order to really be on the road to education - that one must be open minded and trying to understand others.

Emogeane gave five main qualities which she felt an educated person should have: realization of how much he does not know, interest in learning new things and willingness to put forth much to do so, ability to apply the learning and information acquired, interest in and respect for the beliefs and viewpoints of others, and not clinging to own previously-formed opinions when they have been proven incorrect.

Dr. Vardell gave the chief mark of an educated man as being one who has "the ability to distinguish between the essential and non-essential in any particular situation and goes after and acts upon the essential". In every situation there is some essential quality to be decided; and, if a person is educated, he finds great help in making his decisions. In closing remarks Dr. Vardell summed up an educated man as being one who "reads widely, continuously, and selectively; is able to talk and write concisely, intelligently, and grammatically; is able to listen thoughtfully, sympathetically, and critically; does something usefully and quickly; and learns to pray that God will help him but not expect God to do for him."

After a brief discussion from the audience, Dr. Bullock summed up the ideas brought forth.

The students, faculty, and staff expressed their desire to have a similar discussion on "How One Becomes Educated" in the near future.

### CHEMISTRY PRIZE

Dr. Amy LeVesconte, professor of chemistry, has announced that the Chemical Rubber Company has sent her a \$6.00 book, The Handbook of Chemistry and Physics (Thirty-fifth edition) to be given to the person making the highest grade in chemistry this term.

On the front of the book is engraved "First Term 1953-54, Freshman Chemistry, Flora Macdonald College." The book will be presented as soon as semester grades are complete.

### Bible Teachers In The Colored School Begin Their Work



Seated, left to right: Faye Buck, Betty McQuire, Harriet McAuley, Emogeane Womeldorf, Marie Sellars, and Dorothy Hamilton. Standing, left to right: Ellen Howard, June Jarrett, Eva Gray Davis, Evelyn Taylor, Marjorie McNeill, Letty Hill and Mrs. Elbert McPhaul (adviser).

"It's a wonderful experience" is the feeling shared by those girls who have recently begun teaching Bible to grades one through five in the colored school of Red Springs.

The twelve girls participating in the activity began their work the first week after the return from the Christmas holidays and will continue to teach each Tuesday afternoon from 1:30-2:15 until the end of the school year. June Jarrett and Evelyn Taylor are teaching the two sections of the first grade; Eva Gray Davis and Ellen Howard, second-grade groups; Harriet McAuley and Emogeane Womeldorf, third-grade groups; Letty Hill and Faye Buck, fourth-grade groups; and Dot Hamilton and Marie Sellars, fifth-grade groups. Beginning at the semester, Marjorie McNeill and Betty McQuire will teach the fifth-grade groups.

The Bible study for all the grades is being centered on the Old Testament, and many methods are being used by the girls to make the material appealing to the children: songs, pictures, hand crafts, and memory work.

The Bible teachers have been preparing themselves for their work for a long time, and several

training sessions have been held. Geraldine Worrel, chairman of the Bible teachers in the colored school last year, and Peggy Carter, who taught last year, met with the group once and gave them some principles of education, methods to use, reading materials, and other valuable helps. Mrs. Elbert McPhaul, who is the adviser of the group and has helped with the project ever since it began at Flora Macdonald, met with the group at an extensive meeting at which she gave practical help to them concerning situations in the school and other important phases of the work. From time to time, the girls meet and discuss their problems and ideas.

These twelve girls have indeed found a great experience and are greatly encouraged in their work by the enthusiasm, not only of the children, but also of the teachers in the school and the principal, Professor Peterson.

In discussing the work being carried on by these girls, Letty Hill, chairman of the group, urged that all "pray that the Lord will bless the work being done, because it is one of the most direct forms of Christian outreach of the school here."

### Author, Illustrator Speaks To Club

Mr. Glen Rounds, author and illustrator of Children's books, spoke to the Writers' Club and other members of the student body last Tuesday afternoon in the Bible Classroom. Billiegene Addor, president of the Writers' Club, introduced Mr. Rounds, who is from Pine Bluff, N. C.

Mr. Rounds told the group about his work in a very informal and modest manner. He began by lightly stating that he got into writing quite by accident eighteen years ago and has been meaning to "stop the business" ever since.

He went on to give a little of the inside make-up of story writing. Because stories have no beginning or end, one must constantly be making decisions as to the best place to begin, what to put in and leave out, and where to end. To be able to write, emphasized Mr. Rounds, one must constantly view things as if seeing them for the first time and must also know and be aware of people.

In answer to questions about his personal writing, Mr. Rounds

said that it takes about three years to complete a book and that he usually works on about three books at the time. Right now, he is busy with five books.

After the interesting meeting, Mr. Rounds was the guest of the Writers' Club for dinner in the dining hall.

### Frosh - Sophomore Dance Announced

February twenty-seventh is the date set for the annual Freshman-Sophomore dance. The theme for this year's dance will be "Ebb Tide".

Serving as chairmen for the freshman class is Julia Lee Ribet and for the sophomore class is Frances Shaw. Working with them are Jane Wood and Mary Ruth Matze, decoration committee; Barbara Arrington and Carolyn McKenzie, invitation committee; Agnes Markham and Sally Bald, refreshments committee.

The decorations for the dining hall are to be simple, but effective. The committee decided that this would be economical and different.

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