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Meditation

We humbly thank Thee, Almighty God, for the many blessings which Thou hast given to our country, and add this, O' Lord, to Thy other mercies, that we may be enabled to use them better to Thy service. O' take from among us all contempt of Thy word and commandments. Break down all the barriers of selfishness and ignorance which keep men from Thee. Convince the impenitent of the misery of sin, and comfort the broken-hearted with the assurance of Thy love. Teach us all to be evangelistic, not in word only, but in everything which we do. This we ask in the name and for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Our American Flag

By WINSTON B. PARSONS

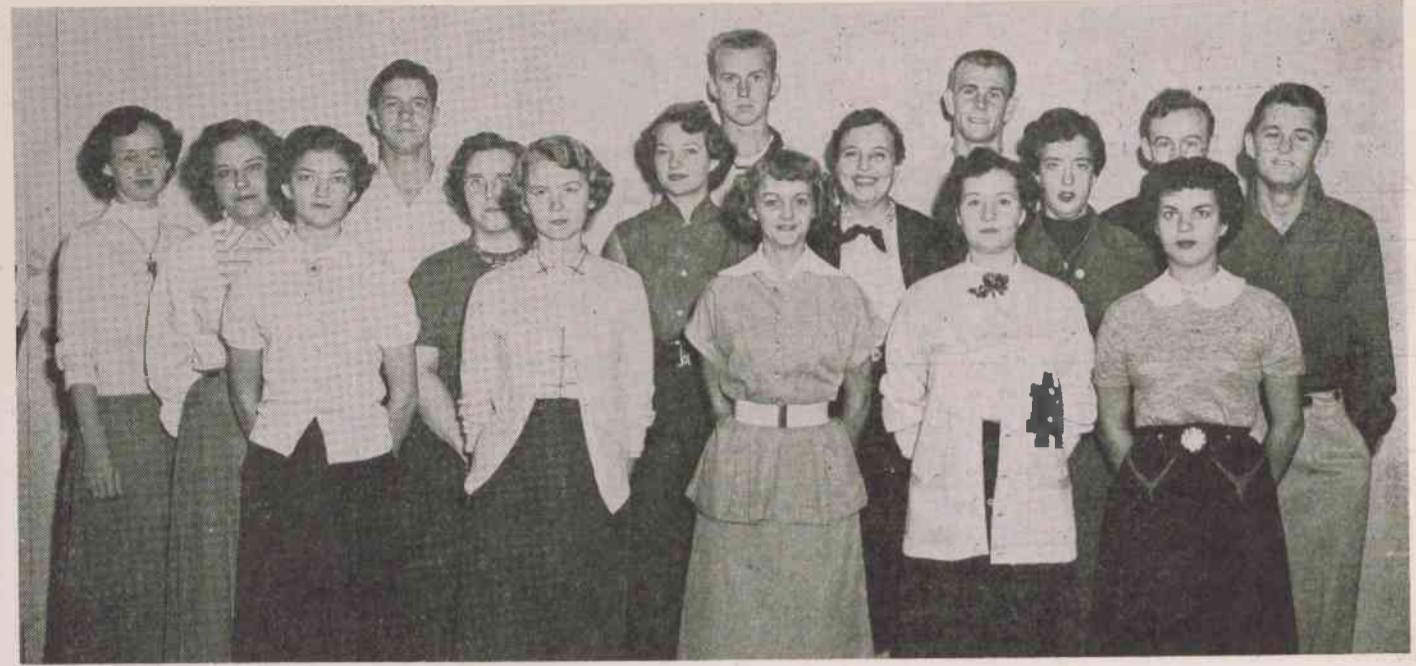
How many of the faculty and students of our college have noticed the lack of the great symbol of our United States on this campus?

I had it brought to my attention one day when my father, a retired navel officer who recently visited our campus, asked me why our campus lacked an American flag.

I don't know whether or not your parents have confronted you with this very embarrassing question, but I hope by the time this question arises in your mind our campus will be even more attractive with the great democratic symbol of our free United States—the American Flag.

I am writing this article mainly because I want you, the faculty, students and student council, to back me in this request for the symbol of the freedoms, (speech, press, and religion) on which the basic foundation of our nation was built.

Why does Chowan College need an American Flag? An almost identical question is, why were our forefathers, grandparents, parents, brothers and sisters killed fighting in wars? They were not killed fighting for the American Flag, but they were killed and wounded fight-



What could be the 105th edition of the Chowanoka, class annual at Chowan College, will be produced in 1954 by the above group. Records available here do not show when the first annual was printed, but the college is celebrating its 105th birthday. Staff members are, first row, left to right, Betty Ruth Boyd, Monroe, organiza-

tion editor; Gloria Cox, Conway, editor; Lottie Ross, Norfolk, business staff; Barbara Thorne, Wilson, assistant editor; Betty Lou Reinhardt, Hillsboro, associate editor; second row, Bessie Lee Smith, Scotland Neck, business staff; Mildred Wheeler, Jackson, business staff; Marjorie Pritchard, Ahoskie, freshman class editor; Pat Holt, Swans-

boro, sports editor; Barbara Edwards, George, sports editor; Bobby Baggett, Norfolk, Business staff; third row, Ella Jane Smith, Clinton, sophomore class editor; Eugene Herring, Suffolk, business staff; J. D. Tilly, Greensboro, assistant business manager; Bobby Stevenson, Norfolk, associate editor; James Earl Taylor, Corapeake, busin-

ess manager. Not present for the picture were Frances McDaniel, New Bern, assistant editor; Don Thomas, Norfolk, art editor; Myra Phelps, Ahoskie, business staff; Shelton Asbell, Windsor, assistant editor; Charles Middleton, Daytona Beach, assistant editor; Sue Godwin, Salem, assistant editor, and Branch McDaniel, New Bern, photographer.

ing for what the American Flag stands for; and what more is there than the very ideals which our country are based on—Freedom, Peace, and Liberty? We were all taught to "Pledge Allegiance to the Flag" in grammar and high school and now that we are in college we should have and still respect the American Flag.

I would like to quote a few sentences from the speech, "Oration On Makers Of The Flag," delivered on Flag Day, 1914, before the employees of the Department of the Interior, Washington, D. C., by the late Franklin K. Lane, the Secretary of the Interior. The entire speech can be found on page 2589 in The World Book Encyclopedia:

The American Flag to Mr. Flag-Maker:

The work that we do is the making of the flag.

I am not the flag; not at all. I am but its shadow.

I am whatever you make me; nothing more.

I am your belief in yourself, your dream of what may become.

I live in changing life, a life of moods and passions, of heart-breaks and tired muscles.

Sometimes I am strong with pride, when men do an honest work, fitting the rails together truly.

Sometimes I droop, for then purpose has gone from me, and cynically I play the coward. Sometimes I am loud, garish, and full of ego that blasts judgment.

But always I am all that you hope to be, and have the courage to try for.

I am song and fear, struggle and panic, and ennobling hope.

I am the day's work of the weakest man, and the largest dream of the most daring.

I am the Constitution and the courts, statutes and the statute-makers, soldiers and drayman, and street sweep, cook, counselor, and clerk.

I am the battle of yesterday and the mistake of tomorrow. I am the mystery of the men who do without knowing why. I am the clutch of an idea and the reasoned purpose of resolution.

I am no more than what you believe me to be, and I am all that you believe I can be.

I am what you make me, nothing more.

I swing before your eyes as a bright gleam of color, a symbol of yourself, the picture suggestion of that big thing which makes this nation. My stars and stripes are your dream and your

labors. They are bright with cheer brilliant with courage, firm with faith, because you have made them so out of your hearts. For you are the makers of the flag and it is well that you glory in the making.

I have learned from an inside source that a sum of one hundred dollars or more was left to Chowan College by the graduating class of 1952 for the purchase of an American Flag and flag-pole for the campus of Chowan.

What has happened to this money that was left by the class of '52? If they didn't leave enough money to purchase the flag and pole I am sure the students of our school will do their best to raise the necessary amount. And if enough money was left by them to purchase the American Flag and flag-pole, let our campus be brightened with the flag.

The main thing is, lets have the symbol of our great United States—the American Flag—on the campus of Chowan College.

Freshman Class Elects Its Officers

The Freshman class had its first general meeting in the auditorium on Tuesday, Nov. 10 at 10:30 A. M. Hilliard Greene, president of the student body, presided.

The purpose of this meeting was to choose a nominating committee to make nominations for the class officers.

After chapel on Tuesday, Nov. 17, the Freshmen voted by secret ballot and elected these officers: Dan Page, president; David Williams, vice-president; Anne Long, secretary; Nancy Taylor, treasurer; and Tuffy Parsons, reporter.

Letters To The Editor

Mr. Charles R. Fulcher
Chowan College
Murfreesboro,
North Carolina

Dear Charles:

To you and to your associates I should like to offer sincere congratulations on the attractive and interesting edition of THE CHOWANIAN.

I knew that you were planning to publish this in your new department at the college, but it never occurred to me that you would be able at this time to issue as attractive a paper as this one.

Always know of my continued interest in the many fine things that are happening at Chowan.

Sincerely yours,
Claude F. Gaddy
Executive Secretary
Council on Christian
Education
Raleigh, N. C.

A CONSCIENCE

A conscience is, essentially, your finer character telling you whether or not you are in the right.

Rev. Taylor's Column

By REV. WARREN TAYLOR

The Murfreesboro Baptist Church, at least the Fellowship Hall, was visited by witches, goblins, ghost, and their like, on Halloween, Saturday night, October 31. James Taylor, with his committee, did a fine job of decorating and preparing for the party. James seemed to have had to do a great deal of long distance calling for the party. I had always thought that witches had to be women (not ladies, certainly). I somehow had never associated the idea of a witch as a man. No man, I felt could be that ugly or look that mean. Miss White was very natural though as a witch! What ever ideas I had held were dispelled that night, for I was the witch, brew and all. We were glad to have you.

We are looking forward to having you come to our B. S. U. Church sponsored Christmas Caroling Party, Tuesday evening, December 15. We are planning trucks to take the group to the various sections of our comitty to sing the carols, then come to the Church for refreshments. Would anybody come if the boys rode in one truck and the girls in the other? I wonder how that question got by the editor? Wake up, Charles.

Murfreesboro was pleased to hear that our team overcame Mars Hill. I attended Mars Hill, thus my joy was mingled sadness. Someone passed me a handkerchief! We were worried Sunday night however, about the spaghetti and meat balls. Norris Fisher and I had visions of using the spaghetti to decorate the Christmas trees, not knowing for certain whether the team would be here to eat or not. From what I hear, some

Important Visitors Conduct Chapel

By James Earl Taylor

Rev. W. P. Milne, pastor of the Ahoskie Baptist Church, brought the morning devotional on Tuesday and Thursday, October 20-22. He was also on the campus each evening for Evangelistic week.

Rev. Randolph Gregory, of Wilmington, spoke to the student body on Tuesday and Thursday mornings, Oct. 27-29. He conducted revival services each evening at the local Baptist Church.

A round table discussion was given by the B. S. U. Council at the Assembly period on Tuesday morning, Nov. 5. The Council discussed what the B. S. U. means and its functions. The assembly closed with the singing of "The Spirit of B. S. U." by a quartet composed of Charles Fulcher, Charles Middleton, James Stewart and James Earl Taylor. The congregation joined in and sang it after the quartet introduced the song to them.

The chapel service on Tuesday morning, Nov. 17, started with the singing of a hymn, followed by the reading of scripture and prayer. Mr. Robert Grogan, dean of instruction, brought the message. He based his talk on "Dark Moods of Peoples Lives." He stated in his talk that "in order to pull out of this darkness one must have faith in God, for being without God is to be without hope."

of the players were not altogether sure they were coming back, those mountain curves! The squad was very quiet; we had our evening service while the members were eating. The aroma wafted up to where we were, and so it was a Baptist Church incensed. No one thought, was incensed because of it. We are proud of our team.

Remember you are invited to our Fellowship Supper each Sunday night, at 5:30.

B. S. U. Events

By SHELTON ASBELL
SPIRIT AND COOPERATION

In the B. S. U. meeting on Wednesday night, November 4, there was some misunderstanding. The B. S. U. work had not been progressing as it should have and when the matter of committees was brought up there was quite a bit of opposition. It was due to having too many inactive members on committees. There was also the feeling of a part dictatorship—which has been forgotten by most members. The B. S. U. convention and discussions among the council members has brought about a greater feeling of loyalty and cooperation and a more Christian spirit and the Council feels that the work of the B. S. U. will progress rapidly now.

DON'T FORGET

Don't forget to put your pennies in the little "Listen" bag each day. This money will be taken up on the twenty fifth of each month and will be used by the tenth of the following month. This contribution should be a love offering with a feeling of Christian love for the peoples of other lands.

SPECIAL MUSIC

The music committee of the B. S. U. has met and decided to arrange for special music during the Vesper Hour. There will be special music two nights each week. The committee and other council members feel that this will add to the spirit of the Vesper Hour.

GOOD NEWS

James Earl Taylor, chairman of the B. S. U. social committee, announces that there will be a "family get-together" carrying out the idea of Thanksgiving. This "get-together" will be held at the college Friday night, December 4, at 7:00 o'clock. The program will begin with a devotional which will take the place of the regular vesper service. All students remaining on the campus are cordially invited to attend.

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