

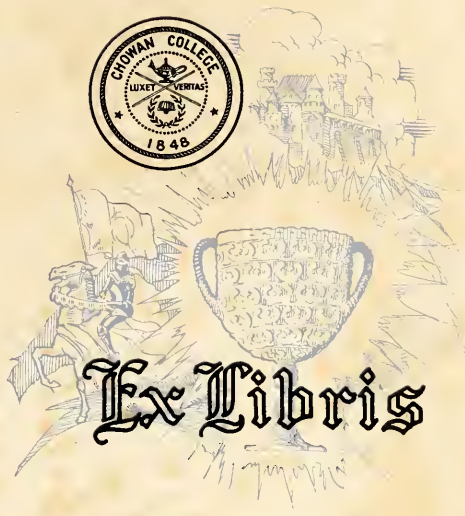


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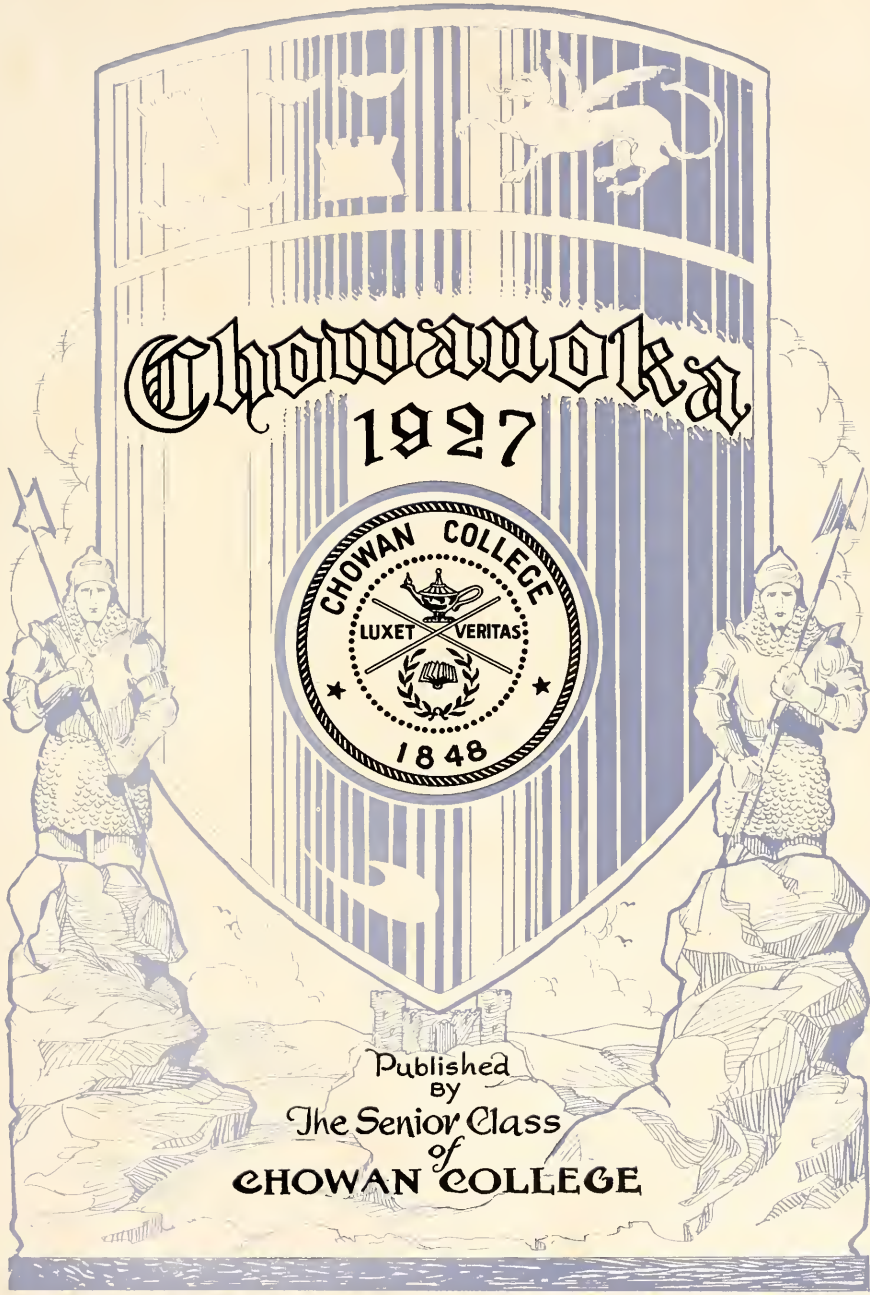


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by
The Senior Class
of
CHOWAN COLLEGE

Foreword

To make record of the traditions and ideals, the activities and achievements of our college, and to enshrine the true Chowan Spirit in the heart of every daughter, is the purpose of the Chowanoka of 1927. And we, the Editors, are asking that throughout your perusal of this volume you think of the College as the Castle Beautiful.

“ built
To music, therefore never built at all,
And therefore built forever.”





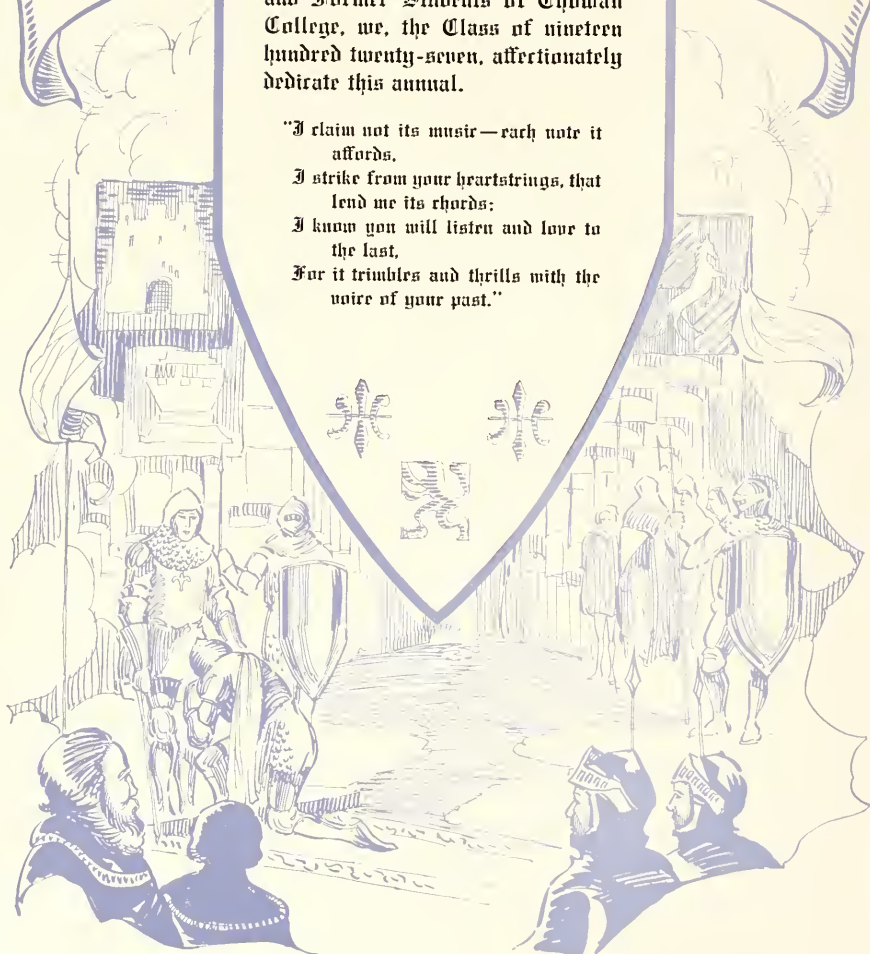
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Dedication

To our Big Sisters, the Alumnae,
and Former Students of Chowan
College, we, the Class of nineteen
hundred twenty-seven, affectionately
dedicate this annual.

"I claim not its music—each note it
affords,
I strike from your heartstrings, that
lend me its chords;
I know you will listen and love to
the last,
For it trembles and thrills with the
voice of your past."





Alma Mater

On the plains of Carolina,
'Neath her skies so blue,
Stands our noble Alma Mater,
Glorious to view.

With her classic walls and columns
Looks she proudly down,
Reared against the arch of heaven
With the stars for crown.

By Meherrin's rippling waters
Where the sungleams play,
We, her loyal friends and daughters,
Pledge our love for aye.

Praise to her! God grant His blessing;
May He give rich store.
Chowan we will ever cherish,
Love her evermore.

ANNE ABERNATHY, '90.



Chowan, Mother Dear

A song in thy praise, O mother dear,
Doth rise to lips from loyal hearts.
 We do greet thee!
 We do greet thee!
As out the darkness thou thy way
Dost break through night to perfect day.
 We salute thee!
 We salute thee!
Mother dear! Mother dear!

Our hearts rejoice in thy wisdom and strength
And to God be thanked for thy fostering care.
 We do praise thee!
 We do praise thee!
Thy name—so fair—we love and adore,
So treasured with hopes and mem'ries of yore.
 We adore thee!
 We adore thee!
Dear Chowan! Dear Chowan!

The thrill of thy beauty—kind nature's own skill—
Doth surge through our souls, and brighten our way,
 We adore thee!
 We adore thee!
The beech, the magnolia, the long-leaf rare
Each season doth rival to make more fair.
 We do love thee!
 We do love thee!
Mother fair! Mother fair!



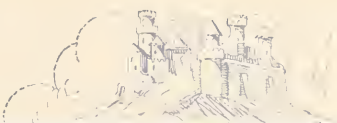
THE FRONT CAMPUS

*"Places I love come back to my like music,
Hush me and heed me when I am very tired."*—ANONYMOUS



THE COLUMNS, 1852

*"But let my due feet never fail
And love the high embowed roof,
With antique pillars, massy-proof,"*—MILTON.



AUDITORIUM

'How oft in spirit have I turned to thee.' — WORDSWORTH.



Chowanoka



EAST BUILDING AND LIBRARY

*"The love of learning, the sequestered nooks,
And all the sweet serenity of books."—LONGFELLOW.*



THE WISTERIA VINE

*"Oh better than the minting of a gold-crowned king
Is the safe-kept memory of a lovely thing."—ANONYMOUS.*



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THE STONE COTTAGE

*"I knew by the smoke that so gracefully curled,
Above the green elms, that a cottage was near."—ANONYMOUS.*



PRESIDENT'S HOME
*"This door will open at a touch
And welcome every friend."*—VAN DYKE.



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WALK

*"Sun-swept beeches with a light wind blowing,
Topped by the immense blue circle of the sky."—ANONYMOUS.*



Alma Mater

Alma Mater. Gentle Mother.
We, thy daughters, joyful sing,
Join our voices with each other,
Praise today to thee we bring!
Tho' we hail from headlands, mountains,
Tho' of many creeds we be,
Tho' we've drunk from many fountains,
We are one in love to thee!
Ever onward, ever upward,
Lead us gently by thy hand;
Ever, gentle mother, onward,
Lead us on, thy loyal band.

Alma Mater, we invoke thee,
Let us see thy shining face;
Let us feel, we now implore thee,
All thy true enduring grace.
On thy banner, ever glorious,
Truth forever shall appear!
Crown thy children's hopes victorious
With the love that casts out fear.
Let us hold a sweet communion
With thy truth which never fades;
Let us feel thy hand upon us,
Blessing us from age to age.

CHAS. P. WEAVER.



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Paine Isvohteen.

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OUR DEAN



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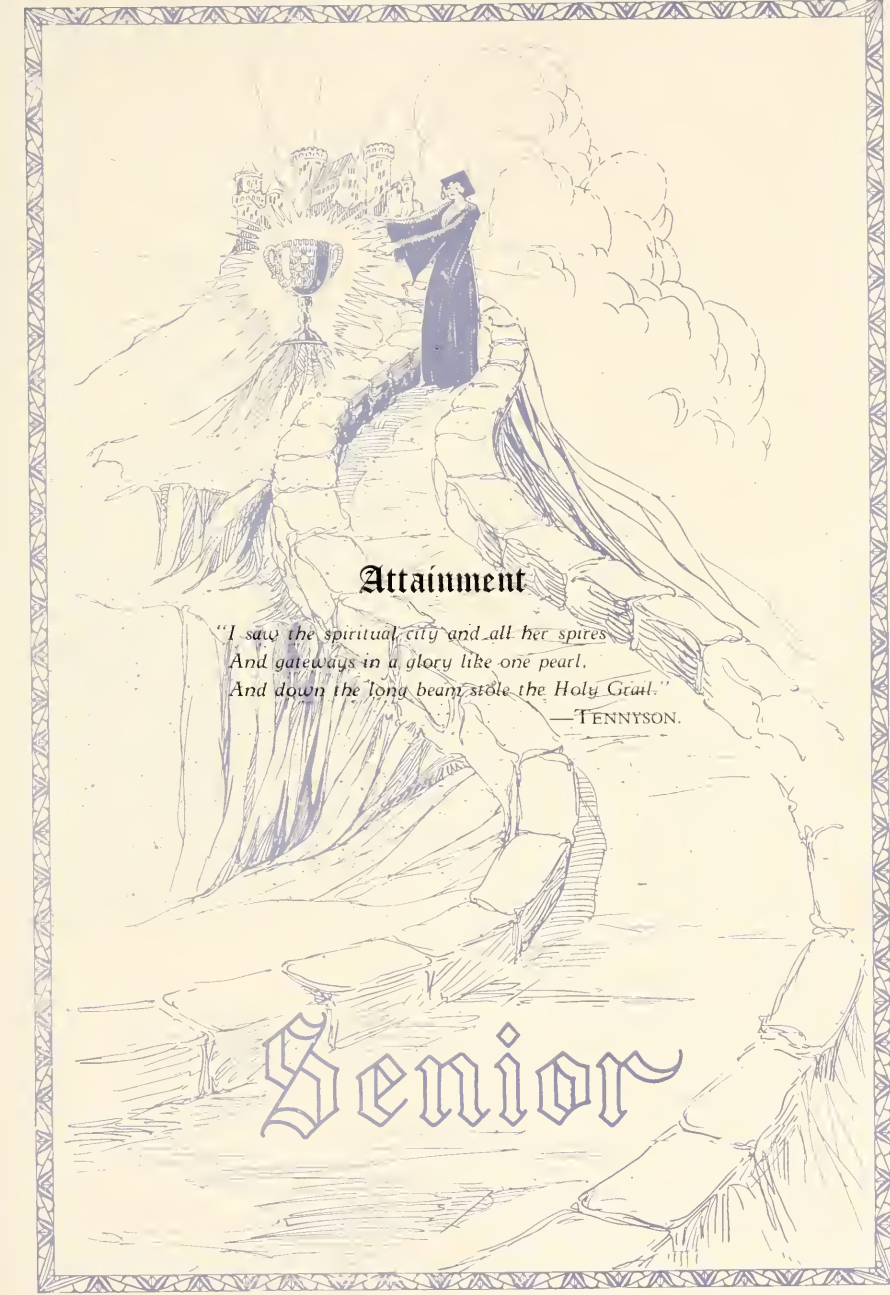
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Attainment

*"I saw the spiritual city and all her spires
And gateways in a glory like one pearl,
And down the long beam stole the Holy Grail."*

—TENNYSON.

Senior



Chowanoka



DAVID COLIN BARNES, JR.
Mascot

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Lucalian

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*A little nonsense now and then
Is relished by the wisest men.*



*In a city large and fair
Editor of the "daily" there.*

Chowanoka



FLORENCE C. BARKLEY

B.S.

SEVERN, N. C.

Alathenian

Glee Club, '25; Assistant Secretary Y. W. A., '24; Treasurer Sophomore Class, '25; Home Economics Club, '25, '26; Maid of Honor for May Day Festival, '26; Senior Representative Student Council, '27; Vice-President Nell Lawrence B. Y. P. U., '27; Social Editor CHOWANOKA, '27.

*You can live without knowledge,
You can live without books,
But civilized man cannot live without cooks.*



*Buck again in Chowan College,
Home Ec teacher she will be.*

Chowanoka



WILLIE ALMA BLOUNT

A.B.

ROPER, N. C.

Lucalian

Vice-President Sophomore Class, '26; President Nell Lawrence B. Y. P. U., '25; Glee Club, '25, '26, '27; Secretary Literary Society, '25; Varsity Basketball Team, '25, '26; *Chowanian* Staff, '25, '26, '27; President Junior Class, '26; TYPICAL JUNIOR, '26; Delegate to Y. W. A. Conference and Student Retreat at Ridgecrest, '26; Censor Literary Society, '26; Delegate to Student Conference at Chapel Hill, '26; Y. W. A. Cabinet, '26; Orchestra, '26; President Classics Club, '26; Leader Tennis Club, '26; House President, '27; Vice-President Y. W. A., '27; Dramatic Club, '27; Editor-in-Chief CHOWANOKA, '27.



*Her glossy hair was clustered o'er a brow
Bright with intelligence, and fair and smooth.*



*To the realm of journalism
Billie's intellect will soar.*

Chowanoka



PENELOPE S. BROWNE

A.B.

KELFORD, N. C.

Alathenian

Y. W. A. Cabinet, '24; Secretary Spanish Club, '25; Secretary Sophomore Class, '25; Treasurer Literary Society, '25; Treasurer Junior Class, '26; Secretary Literary Society, '27; President Spanish Club, '27; Vice-President Student Government, '27; President Senior Class, '27; MOST CULTURED, '27.

*Grace was in all her steps;
In every gesture dignity and love.*



*A dean of women, truth to tell!
Did you imagine that for Nell?*

Chowanoka

MAUDE BUCHANAN
A.B.
NEWPORT NEWS, VA.

Lucalian

Class Poet, '25; Orchestra, '26, '27;
Winner Best Original Play Amateur
Night, '26; Writer May Day Pageant,
'26; Snapshot Editor CHOWANOKA, '27;
MOST ORIGINAL, '26; Joke Editor *Chowanian*, '27.



*Nature made her what she is
And destroyed the pattern.*



Buchanan's latest novel is out:
"How I Bummed About the Country."
Read it.

Chowanoka



LETHA DALE CARTER

A.B.

MURFREESBORO, N. C.

Lucalian

Society Chaplain, '24; Member Volunteer Band, '24, '25, '26, '27; Glee Club, '25, '26, '27; Y. W. A. Cabinet, '25; Leader Life Service Band, '25; Chorister Nell Lawrence B. Y. P. U., '26; Secretary Math Club, '27; President Edwards B. Y. P. U., '27.

*A big heart wishing to do right
And to be friends to everybody.*



*Theories of music Letha will explain,
In a great conservatory, somewhere in Maine.*

Chowanoka



LEOLA CAUDLE
A. B.
ALBEMARLE, N. C.

Lucalian

Religious Secretary, '26; Y. W. A.
Cabinet, '26; Quiz Leader General
B. Y. P. U., '26.



*Her look composed and steady eye
Bespoke a matchless constancy.*



A pastor's assistant—no more need be said.

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ALTA MADELINE CHITTY
B.S.
MURFREESBORO, N. C.

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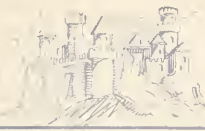
Member of Life Service Band, '27;
Local Editor *Chowanian*, '27.

*Faithful, gentle, good.
Wearing the rose of womanhood.*



*She will live by the side of the road and befriend
mankind.*

Chowanoka



AGNES LIVERMAN COBB
A. B.
WINDSOR, N. C.

Lucalian

Y. W. A. Cabinet, '24, '25, '26; Dramatic Club, '25, '26, '27; Student Council, '25, '26; General Critic of Society, '26; Vice-President Junior Class, '26; Class Historian, '27; Vice-President Lucalian Society, '26; Third Saturday Night Speaker Society, '27; Winner Inter-Society Debate, '27; Treasurer Eunice McDowell B. Y. P. U., '27.



*Insight as keen as frosty star
Is to her charity no bar
Nor interrupts her frolic graces.*



*Chowan's second legislator.
Oratory! Oh my!*

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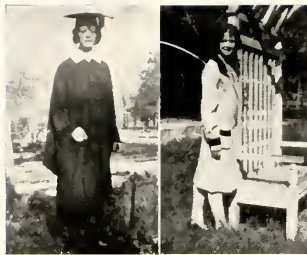


HARRIETTE LYNDAL DENNY
A.B.
BURLINGTON, N. C.

Lucalian

Glee Club, '25; Winner Janie Hughes White Medal, '25; Secretary Literary Society, '26; Secretary Music Club, '26; Secretary French Club, '26; PRETTIEST, '26; Chairman Program Committee Society, '27; Director Amateur Night, '27; Secretary Phi Beta Chi, '27; Business Manager CHOWANOKA, '27; Dramatic Club, '27.

Her feet have touched the meadows, and left the daisies roszy.



*A woman architect for you!
Surprised you are, I guess 'tis true.*

Chowanoka

LOIS ELEY ESSEX

A.B.

JACKSON, N. C.

Alathenian

Treasurer Y. W. A., '25; Secretary B. Y. P. U., '25; Representative to Student Conference at Chapel Hill, '25; Glee Club, '25, '26, '27; Vice-President Music Club, '26; Y. W. A. Cabinet, '26; Corresponding Secretary B. Y. P. U., '26; Secretary Classics Club, '26; Delegate to W. M. U. State Meeting at Raleigh, '26; President Y. W. A., '27; Dramatic Club, '27; CHOWANOKA Staff, '27; Society Debater, '27.



Behind those brown eyes there lies much mischief.



*A poet's soul, a poet's mind,
A poet's art in Lois we'll find.*

Chowanoka



ANNIE LEE EVANS

B.S.

AULANDER, N. C.

Lucalian


Home Economics Club, '24; Orchestra,
'26, '27; Secretary Eunice McDowell
B. Y. P. U., '26; House President, '27;
MOST BEAUTIFUL, '27.

*We her discretion have observed—
Her just opinions, delicate reserve.*



She was wed; and merrily rang the bells.

Crowanoka



LUCILE FREEMAN
A.B.
COLERAIN, N. C.

Alathenian



Treasurer Athletic Association, '25; Varsity Basketball Team, '25, '26; Varsity Soccer Team, '25, '26; Winner Track Shoe, '25; Captain Basketball Team, '25; Captain Soccer Team, '25, '26; Leader Soccer Team, '26; Vice-President Math Club, '25; Vice-President Athletic Association, '26; Secretary Math Club, '25, '26; BEST ATHLETE, '26; Censor Alathenian Society, '26; Senior Representative Student Council, '27; Associate Editor CROWANOKA, '27.



*With gentle, yet prevailing force,
Intent upon her destiny's course.*



An A-1 basketball coach.—Vassar.



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JULIA GRADY
Diploma in Expression
KINSTON, N. C.

Lucalian

Secretary B. Y. P. U., '26; Treasurer
Y. W. A., '26; Winner Reader's Medal,
'26; Dramatic Club, '25, '26, '27.

*Petulant she spoke, and at herself she laughed;
A rosebud set with little wilful thorns.*



At home—Richmond.

Chowanoka

LIZZIE NEWSOME JONES

A. B.
COFIELD, N. C.

Lucilian

Varsity Basketball Team, '24; Vice-President Athletic Association, '25; Student Council, '25; Glee Club, '25; Corresponding Secretary Society, '26; President Athletic Association, '26; Accompanist for Glee Club, '26; Secretary Student Council, '26; Secretary Junior Class, '26; Accompanist for May Day Festival, '26; Vice-President Senior Class, '27; Orchestra Accompanist and Assistant Director, '26; Circulation Manager CHOWANOKA, '27; President Music Club, '27.



*Haste thee, nymph, and bring with thee
Jest and youthful jollity.*



*She will play the pipe organ in Eastman's Theater,
Rochester, N. Y.*

Chowanoka



DOROTHY LONG

A. B.

SEVERN. N. C.

Alathenian

General Director B. Y. P. U., '26; Secretary Y. W. A., '26; Y. W. A. Cabinet, '24, '25, '26; Society Debater, '26; Joke Editor *Chowanian*, '26; Winner Society Ring, '26; Delegate to Student Conference at Chapel Hill, '26; First Assistant Librarian, '25, '26, '27; Delegate to All-Southern Baptist Student Conference at Birmingham, '27; Literary Editor CHOWANOKA, '27; President Society, '27; Senior Reporter *Chowanian*, '27.

Nor swift nor slow to change, but firm.



The very "best" librarian in seven states.

Chowanoka

EDITH EVELYN OAKLEY

A.B.

GREENSBORO, N. C.

Alathenian

President Athletic Association, '25;
Society Chaplain, '24, '25; Secretary
B. Y. P. U., '25; BEST ATHLETE, '25;
Glee Club, '25, '26, '27; Varsity Track
Team, '24; Dramatic Club, '25, '26;
Treasurer of French Club, '25; Secre-
tary of Senior Class, '27; Vice-President
Literary Society, '26, '27; Advertising
Manager CHOWANOKA, '27.



Only a lady with the bluest eyes.



After teaching, what? Marriage? Who knows!

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ELLA MAE PARKER

Piano Diploma
MAPLETON, N. C.

Alathenian

Society Debater, '24; Winner Alathenian Ring, '24; *Chowanian* Reporter, '24; Winner Deloatche Scholarship Medal, '24; Pianist B. Y. P. U., '24; Y. W. A. Cabinet, '25; Critic Alathenian Society, '25; Secretary Glee Club, '25; Pianist Edwards B. Y. P. U., '27; Photographic Editor CHOWANOKA, '27; Secretary Music Club, '27.

*Come, let's go a-Maying, while we are in our prime
And take the harmless folly of the time.*



*And it came to pass that the mantle of Paderewski
fell on her.*

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MILDRED RIGGS
B.S.
SOUTH MILLS, N. C.

Alathenian

Vice-President Mattie Macon Norman
B. Y. P. U., '24; Glee Club, '25; Win-
ner Jeanette Snead Daniel Medal, '25;
Pianist B. Y. P. U., '25, '26; Chorister
Mattie Macon Norman B. Y. P. U., '26;
Treasurer of Senior Class, '27.



She is meek and soft and maidenlike.



*A recluse, a dreamer of dreams,
A maker of melodies.*

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EVELYN WHITE

Voice Diploma
SEVERN, N. C.

Alathenian

Glee Club, '25, '26, '27; Leading Role
in "Miss Cherry Blossom," '26; Voice
Medal, '24; B. Y. P. U. Chorister, '26;
Joke Editor CHOWANOKA, '27.

Singers are merry and free from sorrow and cares.



*A skylark, lyric-toned, renowned.
She'll keep her audiences spell-bound.*



Senior Class Poem

There's a college grand, a college great,
A college that we'll ne'er berate,
And now our college days are done:
We'll wonder far beneath the sun.
Some may be placed in their own land,
Some may be cast on foreign strand;
Whatever time offers or denies,
Strength or power, joy or sighs:
Though our share be joy or tears,
Chowan, we'll love you through the years.

Since first we came as freshmen bold
And wrote our names upon your roll,
We've had our joys and sorrows, too;
We've tried the old and tried the new;
We've had our hopes and cherished dreams;
We've played our games and layed our schemes:
But Chowan dear, our truest friend,
We'll praise and love you to the end,
Though we may meet with fortune's fame,
Our love for you will be the same.

And now four years are past away;
We smile and try to look quite gay;
Yet in our hearts we'll ever yearn
For Chowan days that ne'er return.
And with your spirit to lead the way
We'll live for you and our debt repay;
Your torch we'll carry throughout the world,
Your "Light and Truth" to our time we'll show,
And Alma Mater, our love to know,
Just open our hearts, and there upon
You'll find engraven—Our Dear Chowan.

RUTH OAKLEY, '27.



A Chronicle in Four Chapters

CHAPTER I, 1923-24

IT CAME to pass in the ninth month of the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three, that a bevy of fair young maidens, fifty-three in number, entered the halls of the Castle Beautiful. They entered rather timidly, but soon they forgot their timidity, for all that they saw delighted them. The people at the Castle greeted them heartily, and were pleased to show them the rooms in the Castle and the beautiful Castle grounds, and to help them discover the duties which living in the Castle entailed. Life at the Castle was very pleasant, for everyone was kind and happy.

The eleventh of October of that year was the seventy-fifth anniversary of the birth of Lady Chowan, the Castle Mother. In honor of this occasion, her children from far and near came to do her reverence and to see presented in her praise *The Diamond Pageant*.

The night following this celebration the young maidens will long remember. Just at the stroke of midnight, when everyone was sound asleep, the rooms in which the fifty-three maidens slept were visited, and every bed was robbed of its occupant. Groans, shrieks, and hollow voices filled the Castle, as icy fingers laid hold upon the victims. Down through the halls and down, down, down the steps were the terrified maidens led until they reached a lonely place far beyond the Castle grounds. Never had they experienced such terror as they felt when, one by one, they were carried before the "Brown Lady" and made to confess their sins. But just at the break of dawn, every one was restored to her bed and left to rejoice at her escape. The next morning it was rumored that the Brown Lady and other ghosts had visited the Castle the night before, but no one seemed to know whether it were true.

It came to pass that, during this season of the year, a group of officials called Sophomores within the Castle, rose up in power and formulated many laws which they commanded this company of young maidens, whom they entitled Freshmen, to obey. Some of the laws were trying, but the Freshmen were good sports, and when it was decreed that, on a certain day, every Freshman should appear in front of The Columns with paper and pencil at four o'clock, not one was missing. The group of fifty-three was divided into nine companies, and each company was placed under the command of a Soph.

Out from the Castle grounds they marched, and on until they reached a trim little village called Murfreesboro. Then each company went its way to visit every home in sight and to inquire about the cats residing there. Obediently Freshmen marched up to the doors of all the houses and took a careful census of the cats. Astonished and bewildered faces of the villagers appeared at doors and windows as the census takers called for information, and occasionally, when one had announced her mission, an anxious little child would grab his cat and suddenly disappear. Never before had cats been given so much recognition, and when the reports were all collected and read before the people of the Castle, the haughty Sophs could say nothing, for the job had been done perfectly. There was an accurate report of the cats of all colors, ages, species, and denominations. The majority were Baptists, but many were Methodists, several were Catholics, and a few had other religious inclinations.

These young maidens with many of their friends of the Castle undertook another task that year: campaigning for books. In order for the library of Castle Beautiful to hold high rank, it was necessary that it acquire several thousand volumes within a limited time. The



campaigners never rested until they had reached their goal. As a result of their labors, on March 24, 1924, the Principal Lady of the Castle read to the maidens this message from the Chief Steward: "Yesterday at 12:30 o'clock we reached our goal of six thousand volumes for the library. The victory is a notable one, and must be notably set apart; therefore, all classes will be dispensed with today, and everyone will hike to Meherrin River for a picnic."

One of the greatest achievements of the year was the publishing of the first *Chowanian*, the Castle newspaper, which sets forth every two weeks the happy life of work and play which goes on in the buildings and parks of Mother Chowan.

It was that year that the Castle gave up one of her dear possessions, The Academy. With sad hearts the maidens of the Castle paid their last respects to the Academy, as she lay in state on the platform in her little black casket, surrounded by beautiful wreaths. But they soon dried their tears, for the loss resulted in large gains as to the rank of the Beautiful Castle among others of the land.

When the spring had come, the fifty-three young maidens bade Mother Chowan adieu, and went away reluctantly from the beautiful old Castle, which for some time they would see only across the broad Valley of Vacation.

CHAPTER II, 1924-25

In the ninth month of the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty-four, the Castle doors opened again to receive the company of young maidens returning. However, not all of the fifty-three returned, for some had ventured out on the sea of matrimony, while others had strayed into School Ma'am's Desert, or lost themselves on the pleasant Plains of Society.

The Castle walls were soon resounding with laughter, as the maidens, who had risen from the rank of Freshmen to the nobility of Sophomores, began their new tasks. This year *they* were the official Sophs, and they decreed many laws which the newcomers at the Castle must obey. They issued new orders every day, and for fear of the Brown Lady's spirit, which everyone said would return at Hallowe'en, the latest arrivals at the Castle obeyed orders carefully. The Sophs escorted a band of the most oratorical Freshmen down to the very village to which they themselves had been escorted the year before, and there had them make stump speeches, advocating Andy Gump for the Presidency of the United States. The Sophs soon realized that these newcomers were really worthy to take over the former Freshman motto: "Green, but Growing."

It came to pass that just a week before the Christmas holidays began, Peanut Week was observed, as was the custom of the Castle. Every sojourner in the halls of Mother Chowan drew from a box a peanut, within the shell of which was the name of someone for whom she was to do some kind act secretly, every day for a week. No one knew who any other's "peanut" was, and no one dared to ask or tell. During all hours of the night and day, little gifts and notes could be seen lying in the halls or in front of bedroom doors, addressed to someone's peanut, but without any return address except "Your Peanutter." The week was full of surprises and thrills and narrow escapes from discovery. At the end of it, the dining room was decorated in holly and candles, and a big Christmas tree was set up. The Peanuts came together and gave gifts and revealed themselves to each other.

Another red-letter week for all within the Castle was instituted that year: Drama Week. The talents of the Castle maidens for music and dramatics were revealed in various recitals and plays given during this week, and everyone was so pleased with the programs that Drama Week has become an annual affair at the Castle.



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The eventful year slipped by all too quickly for the young maidens, and soon they found themselves leaving the Castle again and turning their faces toward Vacation.

CHAPTER III, 1925-26

When these young maidens returned to the Castle of Chowan the next fall, their greatest desire was to have the college standardized before the year had passed. There were many new faces at the Castle this year, and each new one helped in reaching the goal. Before the year was gone, the dream of these maidens had really come true, and Chowan had become a standard A-grade college.

Many lasting and important, as well as interesting features were added to Castle life during that year. One of the most important of these additions was Society Day, with its reading contest and a debate, which aroused real society spirit and was destined to remain a permanent annual affair at Chowan. On the night of this important occasion, one of the best debates ever recorded between the Lucalian and Alathenian Societies was witnessed in the Castle chapel. Two of the debaters, Dorothy Long and Margaret Aman, belonged to the group of young maidens who had entered the Castle gates three years before.

Others of this same company excelled in voice and dramatics, and were sent out to various parts of the country to give programs. They had found that life at the Castle Beautiful was so happy that they wished other young maidens to join them there, so each of them wrote letters to her friends, who were camping on the hill of High School, and invited them to visit the Castle. Many came, and from this began the annual event known as High School Week-End.

There was no greater evening of events on the calendar of that year than the Junior-Senior banquet, which took place in the garden of Castle Beautiful amid flowers and sweet music, on April twenty-third. This was a night when every young maiden realized her dreams of being a Princess and having her Prince Charming come to her garden to see her.

Many other pleasant events followed, and even before one could realize how the time had slipped by, it was the twenty-fourth of May, and Vacation Valley called.

CHAPTER IV, 1926-27

Among the many maidens who reassembled within the Castle walls in the fall of nineteen hundred and twenty-six, were eighteen of the fifty-three who had entered the Castle four years earlier. With them they brought four others who, like themselves, knew that in the spring of nineteen hundred and twenty-seven they must go out into the world to make their way for themselves. They were known throughout the Castle as Seniors, and were regarded as the wisest of all the maidens who dwell in Castle Beautiful. To them, therefore, the younger maidens turned for leadership, and many were their cares and responsibilities. But they found time for bits of recreation. In the very beginning of the year they left the Castle and journeyed to a far-off river side for a picnic supper. They swam and boated along Tuscarora Beach, and then toward nightfall they built a campfire and cooked their supper. When the moon had risen, they returned to the Castle and took up their duties with enthusiasm.

On the night before Hallowe'en, the Brown Lady's spirit implored the Senior maidens to aid her in stimulating among the youngest daughters of the Castle a high love for the College and loyalty to her. The Seniors answered the call and arranged that every new maiden within the Castle walls should appear before the Brown Lady and her court of ghosts at Wise's Graveyard in the dead hours of the night. Arriving there, each maiden was required to take a pledge of loyalty, and to sign her name to it with a pen dipped in blood.

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In the first month of this year began the great crusade to endow the Castle Beautiful, and so insure her future welfare. The guardians of the Castle and the maidens residing in her walls, and many daughters of the beautiful and ancient Lady Chowan, who had gone out to make the world beautiful like their Mother, joined in the crusade with many of their friends, and gave gifts and wrought a glorious victory.

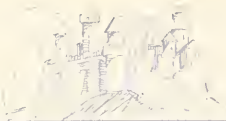
On the twenty-fourth of February, Society Day at the Castle Beautiful was celebrated, as it had been the year before. In the debate one of the Senior maidens, Agnes Cobb by name, helped to win the victory. After that, a brilliant reception was given in the Castle halls. Never had these halls appeared so beautiful as on this night, for they shone with flowers and gay dresses, and were filled with music and laughter. The memory of the event will live long in the hearts of the Castle maidens and of their guests.

When the warm spring days came and the Castle parks were bright with flowers and the songs of many birds, the twenty-two Senior maidens realized reluctantly that they must soon depart from Castle Beautiful and go out to live according to the precepts of Mother Chowan. Their sisters in the Castle, the Juniors, gave a banquet for them, and the Chief Steward of the Castle and his wife held a brilliant assembly in their honor. But the days passed swiftly, and ere they knew it, Commencement was over, and the maidens of 1927 were looking back from the edge of the Valley of Vacation and singing softly:

*"We do love thee; we do love thee!
Mother dear! Mother dear!"*

AGNES COBB,
Historian.





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MEMOIRS OF '27



Inspiration

*" . . . The sweet Grail
Glided and past."*

—TENNYSON.

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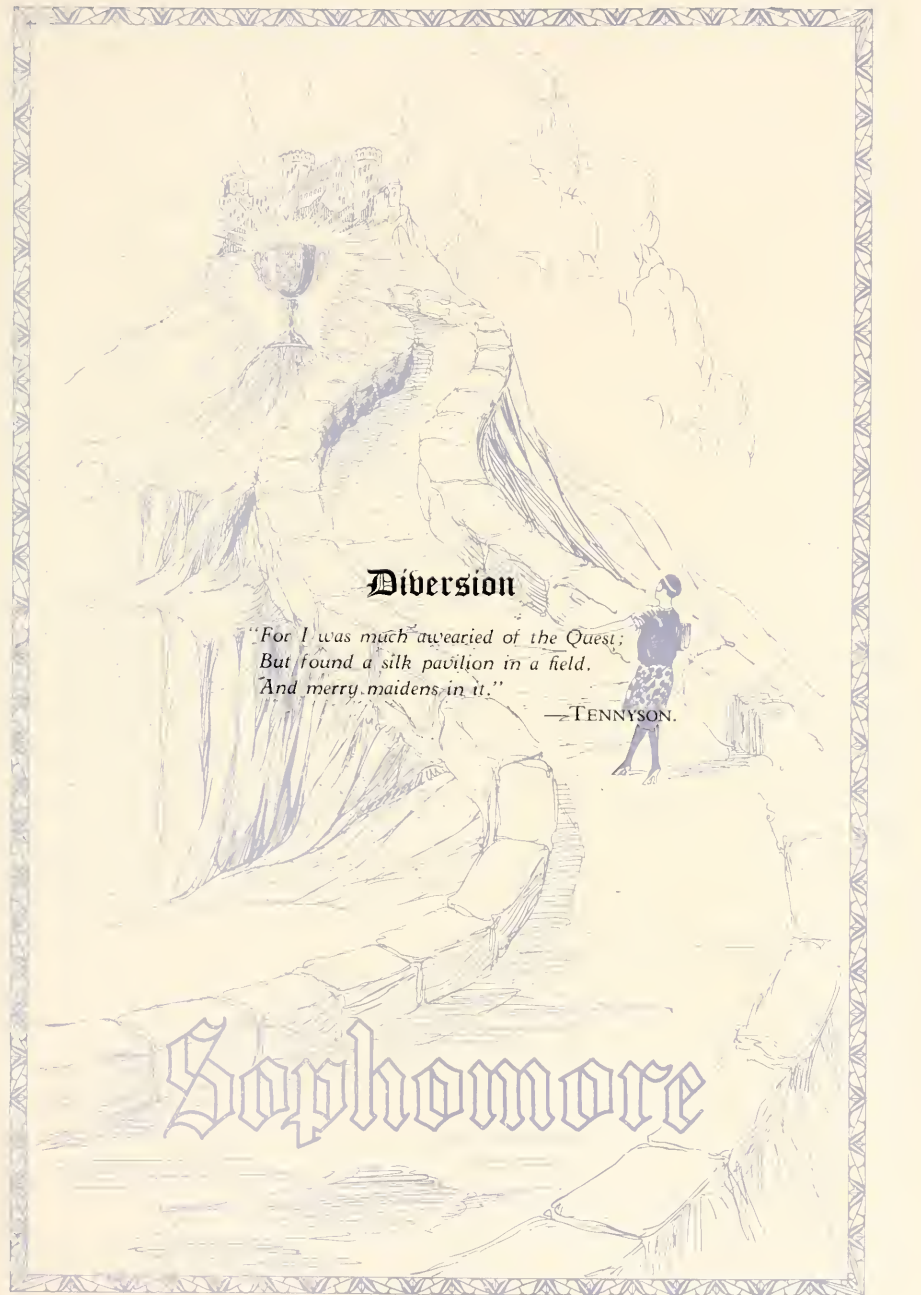
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Diversion

*"For I was much 'awearied of the Quest;
But found a silk pavilion in a field.
And merry maidens in it."*

—TENNYSON.

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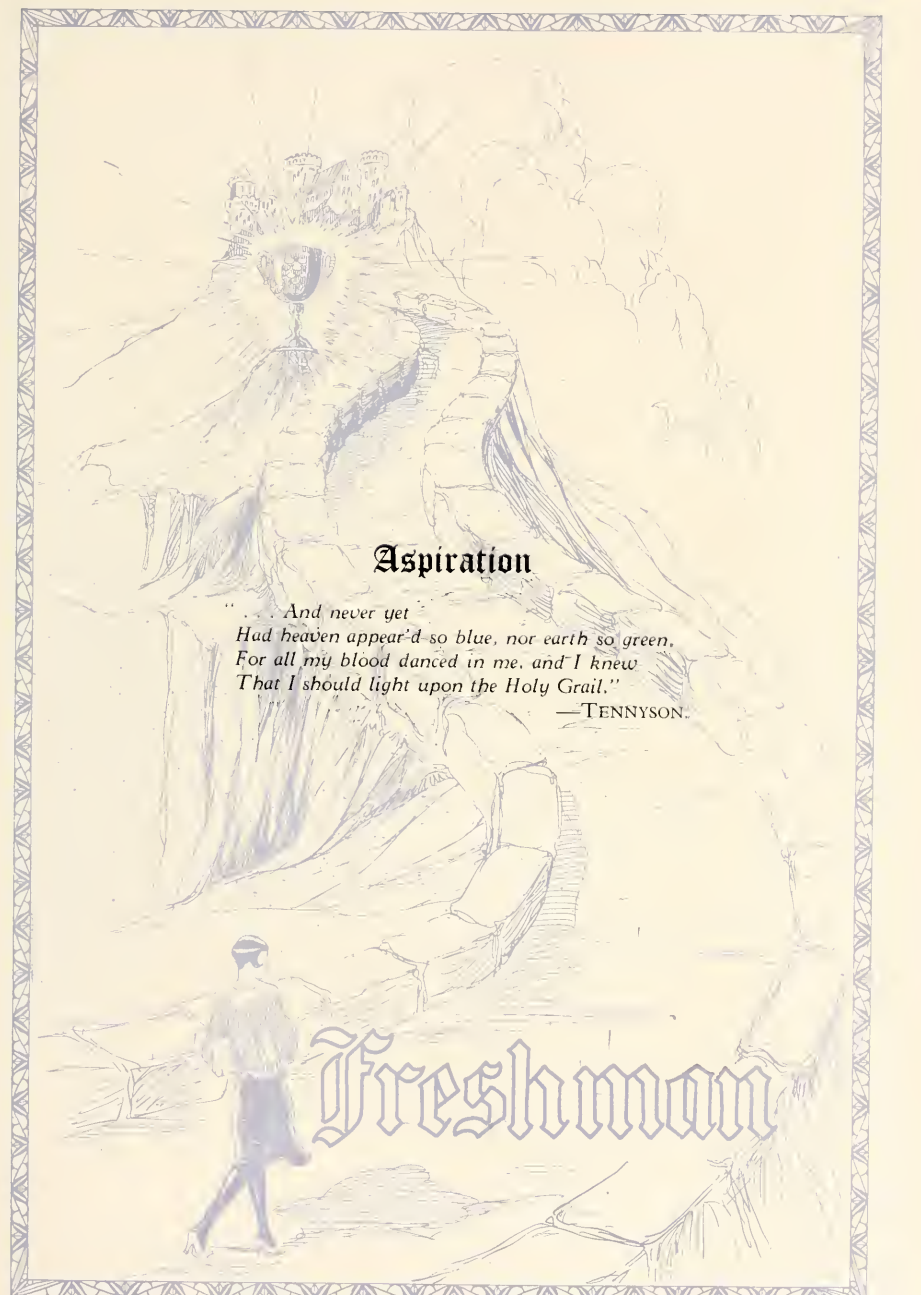
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Aspiration

“ . . . And never yet
Had heaven appear'd so blue, nor earth so green,
For all my blood danced in me, and I knew
That I should light upon the Holy Grail.”

—TENNYSON.

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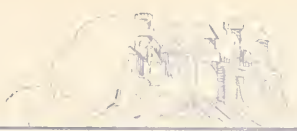
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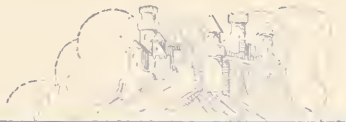
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Organizations

*"Let our alliance be combined,
Our best friends made, and our best means stretched out:
And let us presently go sit in council,
How covert matters may be best disclosed,
And open perils surest answer'd."*

—SHAKESPEARE.





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MOTTO: *We Make Light to Shine.*

COLORS: *Green and White*



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Alathenian Society

MOTTO: *We Seek Truth and Wisdom.*

COLORS: *Yellow and White*



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Athletics

*“Their Sports were fair, their Joyance innocent,
Sweet without sour, and Honey without gall;
And they themselves seemed made for Merriment,
Merrily masking both in Bower and Hall.”*

—SPENSER.





Songs and Dells

THE CHOWAN SWING

When Chowan girls and friends all fall in line,
We're going to push her fame ahead each time;
For old Chowan we'll yell, we'll yell for aye,
And for the college girls and friends we'll yell for aye.
And then we'll fight, fight, fight for every cause,
We'll circle 'round and fight with all our might;
We're goin' to push old Chowan to the top
Or we'll pop! Rah! Rah! Rah!

THE BUGLE CALL

Chowan College,
Chowan College,
Chowan College,
Here's to you,
Always true,
Chowan College!



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"AS OTHERS SEE US"



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September 7	REGISTRATION DAY
October 14	FOUNDERS' DAY
October 29	AMATEUR NIGHT
October 31	HALLOWEEN PARTY
November 25	THANKSGIVING DAY
December 10-16	PEANUT WEEK
December 17-January 4	CHRISTMAS VACATION
January 18	SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS BEGIN
February 24	SOCIETY DAY
March 16, 17, 18	DRAMA WEEK
March 26-April 3	SPRING VACATION
May 4, 5, 6	MUSIC WEEK
May 29-31	COMMENCEMENT





Superlatives

"I awoke one morning and found myself famous."

—BYRON.



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Society Songs

LUCALIAN SONG

Lucalian, Lucalian, our own dear Lucalian,
Your dear name forever we'll love and adore.
Your bright light still shining,
Will shine through the ages:
The light you have given will brighten our way.
Ah, Lucalian, Lucalian, our own dear Lucalian,
Your dear name forever we'll love and adore.



ALATHENIAN SONG

Raise a song of exultation, Alathenians, proudly we
Lift up her royal banner, bidding all the world to see.
Alathenians, truth and honor—Alathenians, worth and power,
We, her loyal daughters, sing aloud her praise.

Alathenians!

None so true to Alma Mater, none so quick to heed her call,
Ever mindful of her welfare, loyal daughters one and all.
Alathenians, truth and honor, Alathenians, worth and power,
So in singing Alma Mater's praise we hold her memory dear.

Alathenians!

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The Romance of Chowan

"The institution is established for holy purposes; to discipline the mind; instrumentally to sanctify mind; and then to direct its strengthened energies: the latter are regarded as of paramount importance, for transcendent talent, without moral culture, produces only evil. That system of education is, therefore, radically defective, which neglects the heart. The true system contemplates a symmetrical development of all the faculties, physical, intellectual and moral, and has regard to the whole sum of our existence. Such we would have as our own."

—CATALOGUE, 1853-54.



Foreword

BECAUSE of the ideals which gave our College birth; because of the love and prayers and personal sacrifice which have sustained her; because of her repeated triumphs in the midst of overwhelming odds; because of our belief that the stately story of Chowan College will enable many a young woman bewildered by the labyrinth of life to keep her sense of direction toward the great Goal of Life, we have delighted in collecting and in publishing in this our Annual as much of Chowan's romantic history as space allowed. We realize that the facts recorded here are incomplete; some of them may be inaccurate, for they were pieced together from imperfect records and from the memories of those who have known the College through the years; but we trust that this account may be corrected from time to time as errors are discovered, and that it may serve as a nucleus for a fuller and more intimate record in the near future. In the meantime, Dear Friends, if you will let your memories and imaginations breathe life into these facts, you will be both proud and happy.

THE CHOWANOKA STAFF.



*"She is, as you have said, Sir, a small College; but—there
are those who love her!"*



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Altruistic Beginnings

IN THE spring of 1847 a group of stalwart fathers met in the home of Dr. Godwin C. Moore, near Saint Johns, to discuss the problem of educating their daughters. Dr. Moore proposed that the Baptists of Eastern North Carolina found a college for girls. The other members of the group: A. J. Askew, W. W. Mitchell, Washington Mitchell, Dr. S. J. Wheeler, and A. J. Perry, agreed, and in May, 1847, they laid their plan before the Bertie Union Meeting. The Bertie Union acting upon the suggestion began to raise money for the establishment of the school, and appointed a committee to draw up and present a resolution to the Chowan Association. The resolution to establish a school of higher learning for girls was presented and adopted at Raymoth Gilead Church, Pasquotank County, in May, 1848. The following Trustees were appointed to secure a suitable location for a school, and to obtain a charter: From the Bertie Union, Godwin C. Moore, A. J. Perry, and J. W. Barnes; from the Yeopim Union, J. L. Tierrell, W. Stallings, and W. Riddick; from Camden and Currituck Union, J. Comer, W. P. Forbes, and J. B. Morgan; from the Washington and Tyrell Union, J. T. Halsey, E. R. Melson, and J. W. Beasley.

On October 11, 1848, Chowan Collegiate Institute opened with eleven students—a number which soon increased to forty-seven. The old Murfreesboro Academy lot had been purchased for \$1,225, and the Banks School building with its equipment had been taken over by the new institution.

It soon became evident, however, that larger quarters must be secured, so a few friends of the Institute and a few trustees formed a joint-stock company and contributed \$4,375 to stabilize the enterprise. In 1851 the present site of the college was purchased from Mr. Perry Carter, and the building which we now know as The

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Columns was completed and occupied November 3, 1852, friends of the school having contributed \$30,002.09 for the building. In July, 1859, the stockholders with the exception of three, gave their stock. One of these three was not a Baptist, one was a Northerner, and the third had only \$75 in stock. This donation was prompted by the desire to have Chowan Institute owned and controlled by the denomination rather than by individuals.

At the close of the Civil War, the College which had continued to run throughout the war, had 81 students, but was overburdened with debt. In 1868, a joint-stock company was formed by W. W. Mitchell, Dr. A. J. Askew, W. Dunning, W. Riddick, L. T. Spiers, Rev. John Mitchell, M. R. Gregory, Edwin Ferebee, and W. T. Tayloe, who assumed responsibility for all the debts of the Institute and paid those that were most pressing.

On June 25, 1878, the stockholders, with the exception of four, donated their shares to the denomination. The gift amounted to more than \$15,000, and left the College with only a \$4,000 debt as against a \$16,000 value. The stock of Dr. A. J. Askew, who had died, was donated by his daughter, Annie S. Askew.

Thus a second time did Chowan College come into the hands of the denomination by the gift of men of vision, who believed in Christian education, and since 1878 she has belonged to the Baptists of North Carolina.

*"Obstacles did not daunt,
Difficulties did not dismay;
In God's eternal purpose
Chowan still stands
As the gateway to service
To all who will enter in."*

EUNICE MCDOWELL. '76.

Buildings

The Banks Building near Dr. Gary's home was the home of the College from the fall of 1848 till November 3, 1852.

The new site was purchased in 1851, and The Columns was erected and splendidly equipped in 1852. Since that time it has been the main college building. In 1923 the wing of The Columns, known as the New Dormitory, was completed.

East Building was erected in 1906 during the Scarborough administration. From 1852 till 1878, the building which we know as The Science Building was called the Steward's Home because it was occupied by a steward who managed the boarding department. After the college took over the boarding department, the Steward's Home was used successively as a dormitory, art studio, infirmary, and gymnasium. In 1874 it was remodeled and enlarged. The present writer is not able to ascertain whether this building was a part of the college property when the present site was purchased, or whether it was built later.

Love Cottage, now the Voice Studio, was moved to its present position from near the Banks Building, at a cost of \$75.00. On the old site it was used by the department of music. It is, probably, the oldest building on the campus.

Hope Cottage was erected in 1878 by Rev. John Mitchell, bachelor pastor of the Murfreesboro Baptist Church. The college students first called the cottage "Hope" because they believed one of the spinsters of the institution hoped to live in it! Through a generous gift of Mr. Rawley Myers, of Charlotte, it was in 1925, converted into a club house for the students.

Faith Cottage, now used as a store room, was built for the primary department during the Scarborough administration.

Stone Cottage was erected during Dr. Bruner's administration in 1913.

The President's Home, formerly known as the Scarborough House, was private property until the spring of 1924, when it was purchased for the college.

Early in 1880 the college bell, which had swung for years from two huge stones, was raised to its present important position in "The Bell Tower." It is safe to say that around the old bell cluster as many memories as around any other object at the memory-laden college.



Religious Organizations

In 1855 Dr. McDowell, who was greatly interested in foreign missions and especially in China, organized a foreign missionary society. At the meetings of the organization—the first Sunday night in each month—missionary topics were discussed and offerings for missions were taken. During the reconstruction days, between 1870 and 1880, the nickels and pennies of the girls amounted to over \$1,200 for foreign missions and to several hundred dollars for "domestic missions." From 1855 till the present time, a mission meeting



has been held in the college on one Sunday evening in each month, usually on the first Sunday.

In 1911 the Y. W. A. was organized in accordance with the program outlined by the Woman's Missionary Union of the State and of the South. In 1916 it was called the Ann Hasseltine Circle, but it is now known as "The Y. W. A. of Chowan College."

In 1920 the Student Volunteer Band was organized, and in 1921 this band separated into the Foreign and the Home Life Service Bands.

The Mattie Macon Norman B. Y. P. U. was organized in 1921; the Nell Lawrence in 1922-23, though it was not called by that name till 1924; in 1924-25 the Eunice McDowell Union was added, and in 1926-27 the W. B. Edwards Union was organized.



Literary Societies

The first literary societies were the C. O. V. A., organized in 1875, and the P. N. A., in 1877. For many years the two flourished side by side, and then the rivalry between them became so intense that it was deemed best to reorganize them. Accordingly, in 1912, by even and odd count, the students were divided into the Alathenian and Lucalian Societies. Elaborate funeral services were conducted over the dead organizations. Mrs. A. W. Miller, of Union, N. C., still holds the P. N. A. banner, and the tombstone of the C. O. V. A. is preserved as a sacred relic in the college.

In February, 1926, Society Day was instituted, with intersociety contests in debating and reading. The Lucalian Society won both victories in 1926 and again in 1927. During 1926-27 the societies purchased a loving cup which is to be presented to the society winning the debate three years in succession.



Student Government Association

In 1915 the Student Government Association was organized, and since that time it has developed an elaborate system of self-government. Freshmen are required in a few weeks after their registration to take a rigid examination on the Student Government Handbook, and all students are on their honor to obey the rules laid down in the handbook and to report to the Council any known transgression of a law made either by the students or the faculty.

Misses Grace Beasley, Nell Ward, Inez Benthall, Ethel Freeman, Pearl Hopkins, Minnie Dunning, Gladiola Parker, Hilda Matthews, and Beryl Souter have served as presidents of the organization.

College Publications

Chowan's first annual, *Alaska Nuggets*, was published in 1911. It was edited by Eunice Ledbetter Evans and was dedicated to President Bruner.

The 1913 annual was called THE CHOWANOKA. It was edited by Rennie Spivey and was dedicated to the mothers and fathers of the Senior Class. In 1914 THE CHOWANOKA was edited by Lucy Hines Elliott and dedicated to President Lineberry; in 1916, by Pauline Jewell Eley, dedicated to Miss Mae Lette; in 1917, by Inez Benthall, dedicated to President Scarborough; in 1921, by Susie M. Brett, dedicated to President Vann; in 1923, by Elizabeth Turnley, dedicated to Miss Eunice McDowell; in 1925, by Ruth Wilkins, dedicated to President Weaver; and in 1926, by Flora Mae Hood and dedicated to Dean Edwards.

In 1915, '16, and '17 *The Columnnæ*, an excellent literary magazine, was published quarterly. It was discontinued for lack of funds, but will some day, we trust, be published again.

The Chowanian, which speaks for itself as one of the livest college newspapers in the South, was first published September 27, 1923. Miss Camilla Manson was the first editor. The paper has, since 1923, been published semi-monthly. Miss Margaret Aman, '27, has been its editor since 1924.



The Library

Chowan's excellent working library of more than 7,600 volumes is largely the gift of the alumnae. It contains many rare and valuable books, which came from the private libraries of those who love the college. The efforts of Miss Esther Wynn and Miss Eunice McDowell are especially worthy of note in the history of the library; the former first stimulated interest in the library, the latter has contributed many valuable books from her own collection.

On October 11, 1922, active efforts to endow the library were inaugurated. Since that time the alumnae have contributed more than \$7,130 to purchase books and to endow certain departments. The following memorials in bronze tablets have been erected in the library:

Department of English: "Endowed by Mr. H. D. Shepherd as a memorial to his mother, Elizabeth Neal Shepherd, graduate of Chowan College, 1857." One thousand dollars.

Department of Useful Arts: "Endowed by Mrs. R. P. Thomas and Miss Mary Thomas as a memorial to Dr. R. P. Thomas, husband and father, a former president of Board of Trustees." One thousand dollars.

Department of Education: "Endowed by Mrs. C. E. Grandy as a memorial to her father, Mr. Mark Gregory, one of the first trustees of Chowan College." Five hundred dollars.

Other memorials will be erected in the near future.



Loan Funds and Scholarships

The Fannie Knight Loan Fund of \$500 was established in November, 1911, by an alumna of 1894, who, when a student at Chowan had received aid from Miss Knight. To the original sum, the children of W. B. Shaw, of Winton, North Carolina, have added \$200 as a memorial to their father, and the alumnae have increased the fund to \$1,098. Already it has aided twenty-two girls.

In 1921-22 Hon. J. W. Bailey established the Annie S. Bailey Scholarship in memory of his mother, a former student of the college.

In 1924-25 the alumnae gave two temporary scholarships known as the Alumnae and the Eunice McDowell Scholarships.

In 1926 the Kiwanis Club of Bertie, Northampton, Hertford and Gates Counties established four scholarships.

The Thomas B. Wynn Endowed Scholarship of \$2,000 was given in 1927 by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas B. Wynn of Murfreesboro.

In 1926-27 the Missionary Societies of Northampton County gave one scholarship; of Hertford, one; and of Bertie, two.

In 1926-27 the United Daughters of the Confederacy of Hertford County established a scholarship.

The D. E. Williams Endowed Scholarship of \$2,000 was given in 1927 by Mrs. Williams and Mrs. D. P. Medlin, wife and daughter. Mr. Williams was for many years a trustee of the school and a loyal friend.

In 1917-18 Mr. A. B. Atkins of Cofield, North Carolina, former trustee of the college, left a fund of \$2,500 to be used for the education of worthy girls who would otherwise be unable to attend college. The fund is known as the Atkins Trust Fund.



A Few of Chowan's Jewels

Elizabeth Marable (Mrs. I. B. Lake), mother of James L. Lake, professor of physics at Wake Forest College. Her husband was president of Roanoke (Averett) College, Danville, Virginia. Mrs. Lake is the oldest living alumna of Chowan College.

Eunice McDowell, daughter of Dr. McDowell, who was for so many years president of the college. Miss McDowell was born in The Columns in 1859. She has been for forty-seven years one of the truly great teachers in our land. She returned to Chowan College in January, 1920. In May, 1926, the trustees of the college conferred upon her the degree of Doctor of Literature in recognition of her scholarship and of her work as a teacher. She is now doing double duty as librarian and Lady Principal in the college with which she has been so closely connected all her life.

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Sara E. Finch, mother of Dr. Hubert Royster, Raleigh, North Carolina.
Laura Peterson, wife of Hight C. Moore, long time editor *Biblical Recorder* and member Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee.

Mary E. Pritchard, wife of Dr. Charles E. Taylor, former president of Wake Forest College.

Ann J. Ward, wife of John W. Moore, famous historian of North Carolina. She was the first graduate of the college and the only member of her class, '61.

Fannie Brinson, wife of Dr. T. H. Pritchard, minister and long-time president of Wake Forest College.

Louisa Cobb, mother of Dr. Collier Cobb, professor of geology in the University of North Carolina.

Annie P. Thompson, mother of J. D. Boushall of Raleigh, and of Mrs. Blanche Boushall Sawyer of Weldon and Mrs. Annie Boushall Bobbet of Rocky Mount, two of Chowan's most loyal alumna.

Bessie Worthington, wife of Dr. H. H. Horne of the department of education, New York University.

Ann Bailey, mother of Mrs. Wesley N. Jones, president W. M. U. of North Carolina, and of Hon. J. W. Bailey, Raleigh.

Emily M. Hardec, wife of William Kennedy, founder Kennedy Home, near Kinston, North Carolina.

Lizzie S. Savage, for many years president W. M. U. of Virginia.

Lucy H. Owen (Mrs. D. A. Robertson), president emeritus Greensboro Woman's College.

Lillian I. Daniel, wife of Dr. Wallace Riddick of North Carolina State College.

Madge Conwell, missionary to Mexico.

Una White, superintendent W. M. U., West Chowan Association.

Mattie Macon Norman (Mrs. P. E. White), missionary to China.

Ann Judson Battle, daughter of Rev. Amos Battle, great pioneer missionary in Baptist education work; and wife of Rev. V. J. Harrell, Baptist minister and poet who wrote "Ho! For Carolina."

Fannie Knight, missionary to China. She was Chowan's first missionary and the first unmarried woman sent to the foreign field by our Baptist Board. She continued to work during the Boxer insurrection, but died of smallpox soon after.

Nannie E. Sessoms (Mrs. T. C. Britton), missionary, Soochow, China.

Nell Lawrence (Mrs. Edward May Bostick, Jr.), missionary, Pochow, China.

Lois Vann (Mrs. Thomas B. Wynn), member North Carolina Baptist Board of Education, and former trustee of Chowan College.

Love Bell, wife of Dr. C. E. Brewer, president Meredith College.

Sue Brett, trustee of Chowan College.

Alice O. Wingate, wife of Dr. N. Y. Guley, dean of law school, Wake Forest College.



Josie White (Mrs. E. P. Brock), superintendent Cornelius Harnett School, Wilmington, North Carolina.

Roxana Barham, mother of B. W. Spillman.

Jennie M. Jones (Mrs. J. M. Barbee), longtime teacher in the schools of Raleigh.

Ida Maget, mother of T. E. Brown, Raleigh.

Amaret Reece, wife of P. S. Henson, prominent Baptist minister of Philadelphia, Chicago, and Boston.

Tulie Hoggard (Mrs. C. C. Hoggard), W. M. U., vice-president Elizabeth City Division.

Ordie Woodley (Mrs. W. A. Blount), trustee Chowan College.

Nell Ward (Mrs. W. M. Hollowell), trustee Chowan College.

Carrie McLean, member State Legislature, brilliant lawyer of Charlotte, prominent in Woman's Clubs and League of Women Voters.

These and many others whom we would like to mention here are the realized dreams of the men who founded Chowan College, and of the friends who have contributed to her life through the years.



The Campus

"BEAUTY IS TRUTH"

One of the beautiful links which have ever bound the students of Chowan to their Alma Mater is her artistic old campus. When the site was purchased in 1851, the grounds were only a waste of brown sedge. But realizing that beauty of whatever kind is cultural, in 1856 Dr. McDowell, then co-principal of the institution, employed a landscape gardener who laid off the drives and walks and planned the setting of trees and shrubs. By 1859 the work was completed. To finance the enterprise, the students had solicited funds and given fairs enthusiastically. How happy it must have made them through the years to look upon the results of their labors!

During his years as president of the college, Dr. McDowell made many improvements in the grounds. The beautiful pine drive was his idea and the result of his labors; the banks of the merry little stream which flows through the ravine at the edge of the campus were cleared, walks were laid off, and swings and rustic seats were put up. "The Labyrinth," as the park had always been called, holds many a happy memory of Chowan's daughters. The two big magnolia trees which stand near the main building were brought by Dr. McDowell from his home near Camden, South Carolina; and the white rose vine, which blooms so beautifully near East Building, was grown from a cutting of the rose which Mrs. McDowell wore as a bride.



Chowanoka

The umbrella trees which shelter the circular drive were given by the class of 1913, and the rose arbors along the front walks were the gift of Misses Pearl Hopkins, Josephine Futrell, and Josie Piland, graduates of 1922.

Miss Rose Nowell, 1916, gave the Crow's Nest to the seniors of her class, and of all succeeding years, and it is used exclusively by seniors from year to year.

The stone fountain near The Columns was given by the class of 1913 in their junior year, and the summer house was erected by the Chowan Academy Seniors in 1922. In the early days of the college there were two beautiful summer houses which occupied corresponding positions on opposite sides of the central walk. They were patterned after the Crystal Palace in a New York exposition many years ago, but they have long since become only a memory.

In the winter months the pines and cedars, cork trees, and hollies, now grown to stately dimensions, gave shelter to many birds, and their evergreen boughs bend often beneath their load of snow.

In the springtime the campus is one glory of bloom and tender leaf: dogwood, apple, pear, peach, wisteria, forsythia, jonquils, and roses are overtopped by beeches, maples, magnolias, poplars, mimosa, crepe myrtles, elms, and oaks. And every tree is alive with birds—the cardinal, the robin, the mocking bird, the thrasher, the blue bird, the jay, the woodpecker, and the wren. No wonder the daughters of Chowan delight to sing:

“We do love thee! We do love thee!
Mother fair! Mother fair!”





Lest We Forget

1. Our name: Chowan Collegiate Institute, 1848; Chowan Baptist Female Institute, 1852; Chowan College, 1911.
2. Our rating: A-Grade College, December 25, 1924.
3. College Home-Coming Days, so called since 1911.
4. Organization Alumnae Association with Miss Esther Wynn as president, 1911.
5. Miss McDowell's pageant of Chowan, presented on Class Day by the Seniors of 1921.
6. The Diamond Pageant, October 31, 1923. A great celebration. One or more representatives of the following classes "came home": 1869, '76, '78, '92, '94-1901, 1903-05, 1907, 1909-11, 1913-16, 1918-23.
7. The victorious library campaign, 1922-23.
8. Amateur Night, established November 23, 1923.
9. Drama Week, begun 1924-25.
10. Music Festival, begun 1924-25.
11. High School Week-End, begun April, 1924.
12. Society Day, established 1925-26. The reception, especially.
13. Peanut Week, inaugurated December, 1923.
14. Associational Pastors' visits, Tuesday after the first Sunday in each month.
15. Junior-Senior Banquet.
16. Senior tables, last six weeks of school.
17. Senior singings at twilight, last six weeks of school, begun 1927.
18. The Brown Lady's visits at Hallowe'en.
19. Midnight feasts.
20. Sophomore week.
21. First appearance before the Student Government Council.
22. Teachers, pro and con.
23. The breakfast bell.
24. Lily—since 1909.
25. Paul—established at Chowan, July 4, 1891.

The End

*"The moving finger writes; and, having writ
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Polly Coppedge: "Billie Blount certainly does sing soothingly. When
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