

Shaw Hi Memories

1952

1871

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The first of the  
year is passed in  
the most quiet  
and uneventful  
manner.

1871



"Our Principal"



"Our School"  
(Shaw High School)  
Stovall, N.C.

We dedicate this, the very first annual in the history of our school, to Mr. Wood, the very first principal, for his wise leadership, sympathetic consideration, and sincerity.

— The Seniors "52"

# FACULTY



Mrs. Frances H. Jeffers  
North Carolina College  
Sixth and Seventh Grades



Mrs. Lucinda L. Poole  
Shaw University  
Fourth and Fifth Grades



Mrs. Missouri Fain  
North Carolina College  
First, Second and Third Grades

Principal



George E. Wood, A.B., M.S.  
St. Paul's Polytechnic College  
Virginia Union University  
Springfield College  
Virginia State College  
Social Studies, Physical Education



Miss Myrtle O. Ennett, A.B.  
Fisk University  
Eighth Grade- Librarian



Miss Emma L. Fields, A.B., M.A.  
North Carolina College  
Howard University  
English, Social Studies, Music



Mrs. Edwardine T. Wright,  
Spelman College B.S.  
English, French, P.E.



Mrs. Alyce Williams Landis, B.S.  
Livingstone College  
Science, Mathematics, Athletics

G. C. Shaw School



LANGSTON HUGHES  
(poet-author)  
visited our school  
(Oct. 11, 1951)

"I have known rivers"

"My soul has grown deep with the rivers"



Mr. Wood, Mrs. Solice, Mr. Hughes, Mrs. M. W. Gant, Supervisor,  
Oxford Schools

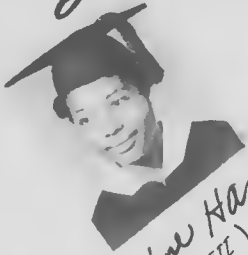
Mr. Hughes WAS my inspiration to continue to write poems & short stories. He was a nice and encouraging man. I was proud to have shaken his hand at our school in Stovall, N.C.



Mrs. Wood



# The first Class, the very first Class



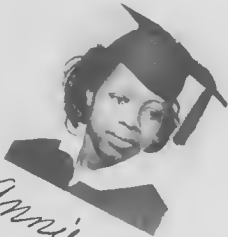
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(Honoree III)



Cleo Hutcherson  
(Valedictorian)



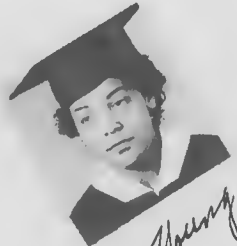
Adelle Marrow  
(Salutatorian)



Annis R. Smith



Augustus Rayster



Edith Young



Barbara Roberts



Mittie Glover



Carrie Mitchell



Dorothy Marrow



Helois Gregory



Mary Glover



Mildred Smith

The Class of 1950

# — Class of 1951 —



From left to right-

Class Sponsor  
Evelyn Morton  
Marjorie Beasley  
Maricia Paschall  
Maceo Hutcherson  
Erma Downey  
Georgia Taylor  
John Wimbush  
James Crosby  
Mildred Webb  
Margaret Gregory  
Sylvia Smith  
Mary Gilliam  
Gladys Morton

Sylvia Smith  
Valedictorian



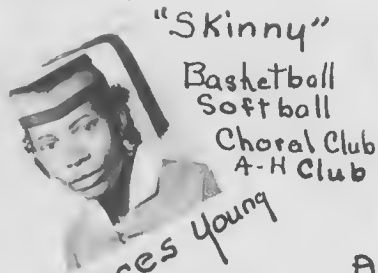
-Maceo Hutcherson  
Salutatorian



Marjorie Beasley.  
Honor III







"Skinny"  
Basketball  
Softball  
Choral Club  
A-H Club  
A. Frances Young



Armetta Brown  
President  
"Teet"

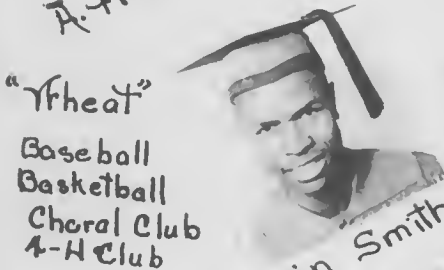


"Sister"  
Choral Club  
Paper Staff  
A-H Club



Nathaniel L. Smith

"Richard"  
Basketball  
Baseball  
A-H Club  
Paper Staff



"Wheat"  
Baseball  
Basketball  
Choral Club  
A-H Club

Basketball  
Softball  
Choral Club  
A-H Club

Marvin Smith



J. Theresa Norton



Isabelle Morrow

"Biddy"  
A-H Club  
Library Club

"Ted"  
A-H Club

# CLASS OF 1952

"Joe"  
Choral Club  
A-H Club



Joseph M. Lindsey  
Secretary



Mary L. Owens

"Pec Yfee"  
Basketball  
Softball  
Choral Club  
A-H Club

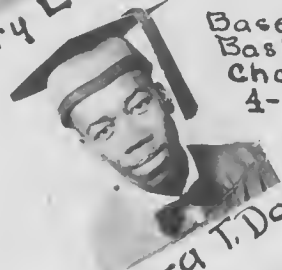
"Cat"  
Basketball  
Choral Club  
Softball  
A-H Club



Sarah Hayes

Secretary

"Blue"  
Baseball  
Basketball  
Choral Club  
A-H Club



Edward T. Downey



J. Eugene Smith

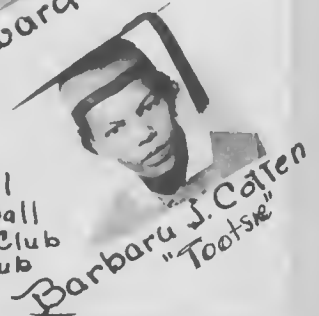
"Peter"  
A-H Club  
Choral Club  
Safety Patrol  
Basketball  
Baseball



Cornell Pettiford

"Moody"  
Basketball  
A-H Club

Softball  
Basketball  
Choral Club  
A-H Club



Barbara J. Cotten  
"Tootsie"

Joseph-  
Yearbook Sales



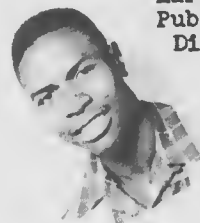
Barbara-  
Alumni Editor



Sarah-  
Class  
Editor



Marvin-  
Publicity  
Director



Eugene-Sports Editor



Cornell-  
Business Mgr.



Louise-Art Editor

Alice-  
Production Mgr.



Isabelle-  
Social Editor



Nathaniel-  
Assembly  
Director



Theresa-Literary Editor

Edward-  
Advertising Mgr.



Melrose-Editor-in-Chief



Armetta-  
Asst.Editor

THE YEARBOOK STAFF

The Class of 1952 has enjoyed so much planning and working out this yearbook. It will ever bring back many pleasant memories of the happy days at dear "Shaw Hi". We, the yearbook staff, leave this book as a token of our appreciation and love for our school.

The Class of 1952

# Class History



We have not wings, we cannot soar,  
But we have feet to scale and climb,  
By slow degrees, by more and more  
The cloudy summits of the time.

- - Longfellow

Here we are ready to begin a long and tiresome journey to an institution of secondary education, where we shall undergo several changes.

## Stage I-Ignorance

September, 1948 found us a group of one hundred-forty five boys and girls on our journey to a land of great experience. The journey led us to Mary Potter Academy, Oxford, N.C. As we landed from our barge and looked about us, we wondered if all our desires would be fulfilled. We realized then and there that each moment was truly a new dawn for us.

We were green, we admit, but we did not let that hamper us, for under the keen guidance of Theresa Morton, whom we selected as our president, and Mr. Gilreath, our advisor, we steadily climbed toward the stage of wisdom. The climb would have been very rugged had it not been for the wise instructions received from Mr. King, Mrs. McKee, Mrs. Brennon, and Mrs. Morris.

Spring found us a happy, energetic group, proud of our achievements, strolling around, enjoying the beauties of nature. We were then wise.

## Stage II-Wisdom

Upon our arrival at the stage of wisdom, the question echoed far and near, "Alright wise birds, what are you going to do now? We merely answered, "Watch us and see." For just before the beginning of this term we were informed that we would have to continue our education in Stovall. To be completely truthful, we did not want to change schools. However upon the first visit to the new school we found that the G.C. Shaw High School was very nice indeed. The faculty composed of the following persons was very nice, too: Miss Williams, who came to us from Mary Potter School; Miss Fields, Miss Ennett, and Mr. Wood, our principal, who is beyond all doubt one of the best that can be found. They were all equally as nice as the faculty of the school from which we transferred. As time passed our love for our new school grew.

In a few weeks we selected Erdine Handy as our leader and Miss Fields as our advisor. It was during this term that Armetta Brown joined us and J.D. Gregory and Mary Lena Roberts left us. Now there were only fourteen of us. Fourteen with great determination.

It was a pleasant experience when a name was chosen for our school-"G.C. Shaw". --We were taking part in many campus activities. Now the stage of honor was at our feet-we continued to climb.

## Stage III-Honor

"Let man know his worth and keep things under his feet" this was our slogan and has been until now. Erdine Handy was again chosen as our president and Miss Fields continued as our advisor.

Some of the great activities that we engaged in were: popularity contest (we were second), as members of the Choral Club we made many trips to fill singing engagements; we participated in the May Day program; some of our classmates were on the Newsette staff; we placed members on the basketball, volleyball, softball, and baseball teams. The 4 H Club also claimed some of our group as leaders.

Barbara Cotten joined us during this term. ---- The Junior - Senior Social ended a year of thrilling activities.

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G.C.Shaw High School;Its History

...Then a new high school was built in Stovall - Its doors were opened to students for the first time on the morning of September 1,1949.

The membership for the first term was composed of sixty seven high school students and one hundred twenty six elementary students(An elementary school had already been established here some years ago).The faculty consisted three regular high school teachers,namely,Miss A.H.Williams of Lexington, Miss E.L.Fields of Hobgood,and Mr.G.E.Wood(principal-teacher) of Clarksville,Va.Miss M.O.Ennett of Greenville was eighth grade teacher with some high school classes.The other elementary teachers were Mrs.Frances Jeffers of Oxford, Mrs.Lucinda Poole of Oxford,and Mrs.Missouri Fain of Stovall.

In its March meeting(1950) the Granville County Board of Education formally named the school "G.C.Shaw High School" honoring the memory of the late Dr.G.C.Shaw founder of Mary Potter Academy in 1890.

Before the end of the first term the N.C.Department of Education stamped its official approval upon the school by placing it on the accredited list.

The first,the very first graduating class received the thirteen diplomas on May 19,1950.The second class to graduate on May 18,1951 was also composed of thirteen members.the class of 1952 consists of six boys and eight girls.

Another high school teacher has been added to the faculty inthe person of Mrs.E.T.Wright

The short history of G.C.Shaw High School is the story of goodfellowship,goodwill,and co-operation among the students, teachers,school officials,and the very splendid parents and friends in the community.

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MAY THE HISTORY OF SHAW HIGH SCHOOL CONTINUE TO BE THE STORY OF PROGRESS

To Make You Feel Better,Look Better,Come to YOUNG'S BARBER SHOP,STOVALL Register Barbers O.S.Young,Prop. S.J.Young

H.B.WILLIAMS' SAW MILL Wanted to buy:hardwood logs Telephone 2449 Stovall

CENTRAL SERVICE STATION Giles Crutcher,Prop. Stovall

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Funeral Directors: Frank Lewis Clinton Winston Raleigh Road Oxford Telephone 3154

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#### Stage IV-Dignity

Having passed successfully through the first three years we now reached the final stage-the end was drawing near. In this final stage Armetta Brown was chosen to lead the class in its last year in our dear high school. She was assisted by Mr. Wood our advisor. We were fortunate to have an addition to our faculty in the person of Mrs. Wright. Erdine Handy left us-fourteen of us were still together until the end.

Our instructors, who put the final stamp of approval upon us were Mrs. Wright, Miss Ennett, Miss Fields, Miss Williams (who changed to Mrs. Landis during the Christmas holidays), and our good, old faithful Mr. Wood.

Many and long have been our meetings to thrash out the plans for closing activities. After toiling patiently for a long time our graduation is now at hand.

"Hail to-morrow, speed to-day"

Melrose Roberson  
Armetta Brown

# CLASS PROPHECY



One beautiful afternoon, as I was sitting alone in my apartment in Oakland, Calif. I received the greatest surprise of my life when the doorbell rang and in stepped Mary Owens, my high school classmate of ten years ago. Mary informed me that she was on her way to join her husband, Joseph Lindsay, who was one of the leading lawyers in Los Angeles. Immediately, I opened my memory book, and Mary and I discussed the other members of the class of 1952 individually.

After Mary finished telling me that Sarah Hayes was married to a progressive car salesman from Oxford, I suggested that she let me do some talking. From the pages of my memory book I gave her the following information-

Isabel Marrow, after receiving the Master of Arts degree from the University of Michigan, is now teaching in Clarksville, Va.

Barbara Cotten is the head nurse at Lincoln Hospital, Durham.

Melrose Roberson is operating a beauty parlor in Philadelphia. It is interesting to note that she still likes to play with her customers' hair before beginning to dress it.

Cornell Pettiford is the most outstanding physician in Chicago. He is famous for either killing or curing.

Frances Young is in the army Nurse Corps.

Edward Downey has resorted to the farm for his livelihood. Spends most of his time lying in the shade.

Nathaniel Smith is Stovall's favorite mortician. He could pass for a corpse himself.

Having followed up his old line of work with further study, Marvin Smith is now an irresponsible detective. He gets into more mischief than his suspects.

Eugene Smith has finally become a minister. His wife helps him compose his sermons.

Theresa Morton is doing wonderfully as private secretary to the Governor of Haiti.

The time passed so swiftly that Mary missed her train. Then, of course, she had to spend the night with us. By us, I mean my husband and our five lovely children. We talked far, far into the night - - - of these things the prophet hath foretold.

Armetta Brown

Secretary



Ernestine Roberts

President



Leona Hitcherson

# Junior



William C. Pettiford



Johnnie Strates



Barbara Smith



Henry Kuyper



Melois Pettiford



Thurman Hairston



Armi Mae Barkham



Geraldine Brownson



Oscar Fields



Vessie Hayes



James Webb

Honnell Smith  
(not shown)



Secretary

# SOPHOMORES

President



Christine Zouwood



Earl Taylor



Mary Kay Thomas



Richard Owens



Lillie Morrow



Ryan Pettiford



Bernard Royster



Reynolda Pettiford



Bertha Lindsay



Sterling Green



Glara Clark



Christine Williams



Louise Royster



James Paschall



Malinda Taylor



Willie B. Webb



Delois Morton



Vernell Royster



Melbert Gilliam



Betty Roberts



Carrie Bobbitt



Robert Williams



Mary H. Clark



Evelyn Terry



Charlie Gilliam

# Freshmen



Louise Nelson  
President



Annie M. Smith  
Secretary



Ernest Jaborn



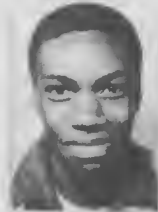
Elnora Taylor



Floyd Davis



Mary Morton



Frank Lawrence



Marlin Webb



Lydia Hutchinson



Roosevelt Wilson



Elnora Fields



Joseph Hutchinson



Mary Glover



Willie Houston



Charles Bullock



Anne Royster



Nelson Anderson



Blanche Hutchinson



Willie J. Daniel



Barbara Griffin



Rebecca Smith



William H. Heggie



Annie Strater



Robert Williams



Loyell Wilkin



Clifton Winston

Raymond Hawley

Mathaniel Jerry

Mal Gregory

Stephen Jerry

Annie Grace Lewis

Nelson Bass

Joe Louis Hayes



# Grades



First, Second and Third Grades  
Mrs. Fain, teacher



Fourth and Fifth Grades  
Mrs. Poole, teacher



Sixth and Seventh Grades  
Mrs. Jeffers, teacher



Eighth Grade  
Miss Ennett, teacher



# Activities

Crowning of May Queen  
-Delois Morton  
by Mrs.L.H.Solice,  
Supervisor



Acrobatics  
by  
Jean Lowery

Wrapping the May Pole





The Shaw Boys in Action



Swinging High  
(Robert Williams)



Georgia Taylor leads the Shaw Girls



Volleyball is the Game



*Pee Wee*

Three Strikes-Out !



Shooting at the  
Stars, Armata ?



# Music



"All aboard"-to sing for The Resource-Use Education Conference - North Carolina College, Durham



## Choral Club Officers

Mary L. Owens, president  
Melrose Roberson, treasurer  
Miss Fields, directress  
(back row, without robe)

Christine Norwood, secretary  
Mary Thomas, reporter

# Athletics



Kneeling- Blanche Hutcherson, Martie Webb, Vernell Royster, Frances Young (Capt.)  
 Christine Norwood, Mary A. Williams --Standing-- Willia Pettiford, Barbara  
 Cotten, Armetta Brown, Ernestine Roberts, Elnora Taylor, Barbara Smith,  
 Betty Roberts, Leora Hutcherson, Mae Gregory, Mrs. Landis (coach)  
 MARY L. OWENS WAS OUT WHEN THIS WAS TAKEN (CAPTAIN)



Kneeling-Johnnie Strater (co-captain), Eugene Smith (captain),  
 Standing-1st row-Cornell Pettiford (manager), Donnell Smith, Birl Taylor, Joseph  
 Lindsey (trainer), --2nd row--Edward Downey, Richard Owens, Clifton Winston,  
 Theodore Handy --3rd row-- Marvin Smith, G.E. Wood (coach). Nathaniel Smith,  
 Not shown-James Paschall, James Webb, Floyd Davis



FRENCH CLUB

Leora Hutcherson, president (standing)  
Louise Owens, secretary (seated)  
Mrs. Wright, sponsor (standing left of pres.)



SCIENCE

Geraldine Brownson, Leora Hutcherson, Johnny Strater, Delois Pettiford,  
Mrs. Landis (instructor), Ernestine Roberts, Barbara Smith



Library Assistants

/ Malinda Taylor  
 / Mary Anne Morton  
 (seated) Delois Pettiford

Mary Louise Owens  
 Evelyn Terry  
 Theresa Morton (standing)



The Library  
 Miss Ennett, librarian



