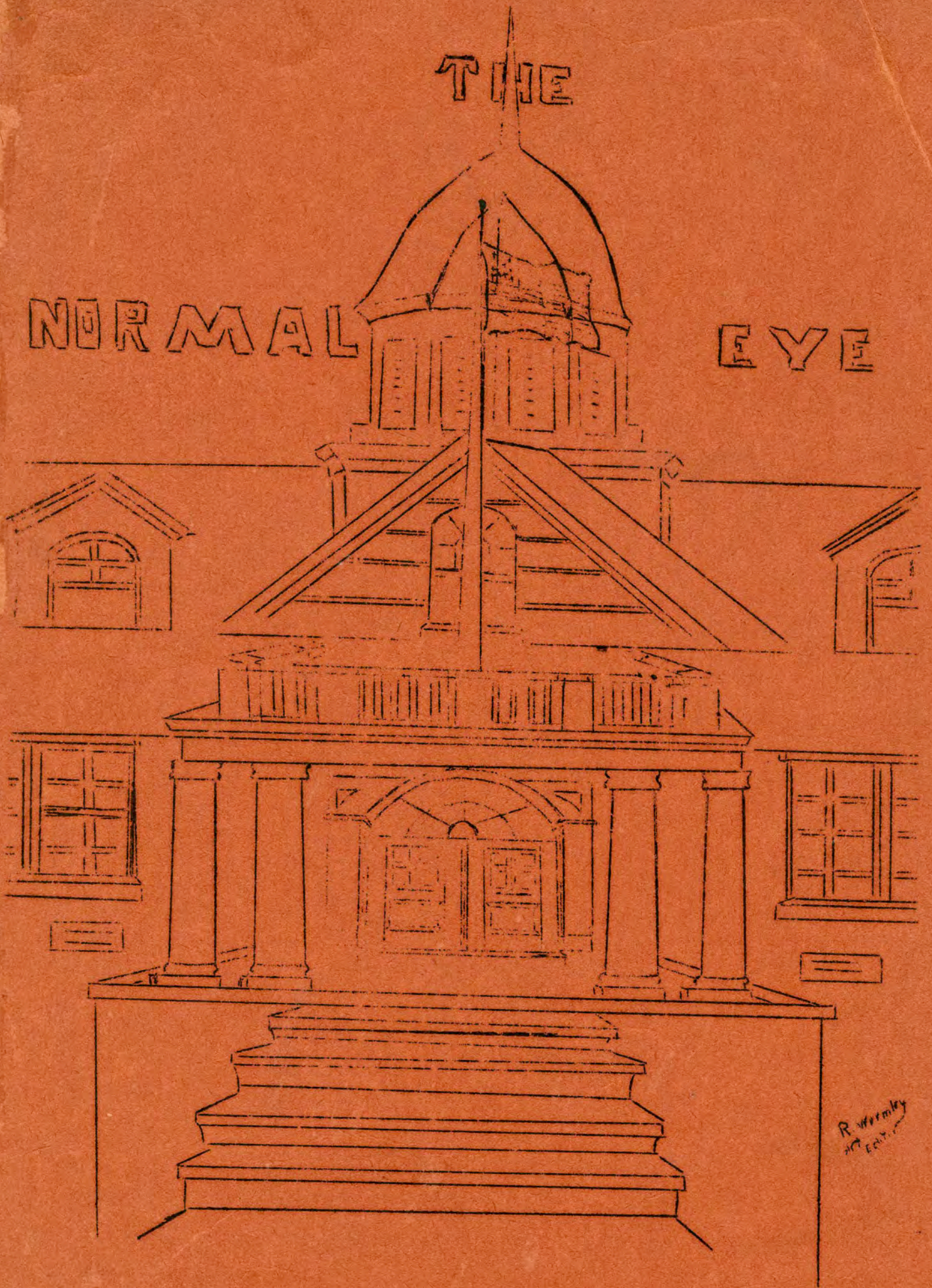


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**HOW BOWIE NORMAL SCHOOL CAN RENDER BETTER SERVICE TO THE STATE OF MARYLAND**

Bowie State Normal School could render better service to the State as a four-year teachers' college. It is generally admitted throughout the State by the County Supervisors that the chief need of our teachers is additional subject matter. The high school principals claimed that they are handicapped by having to receive graduates from elementary schools that need so much additional subject matter before they can be given actual high school work. This means that the graduates of our high schools will still need special emphasis on subject matter when they go on to other institutions.

If the Bowie State Normal School should add the fourth year, it will be possible for the first two years of the four-year curriculum to emphasize subject matter. A curriculum of this type is being offered at the State Colleges in Salisbury and Frostburg. By emphasizing academic work the first two years, the last two years, will be given to teacher education. All students who desire to go on to other institutions after finishing the first two years of junior college work would be permitted to do so. We will require only those who are interested in teaching and show definite possibilities of becoming a teacher to continue the last two years of our college curriculum.

A plan of this type will provide proper coordination with the present State plan. All over the State additional emphasis is being put on subject matter for both teachers and students by providing the opportunity

**TRAGEDIES**

The sudden death in an aeroplane accident in Alaska of Bill Rogers, famed humorist and screen celebrity and of Wiley Post, the daring aviator, brought sorrow to many. Expressions of grief were national among folk in all walks of life.

Queen Astrid of Belgium, one of thousands during the past two months, suddenly met her death in an auto accident in Switzerland.

Senator Huey Long, who was nationally known by his political philosophy, "Share the wealth and every man-a king", died Tuesday September 10, 1935 from a bullet fired by an assassin.

Thousands lost their lives and homes in Florida and many became homeless in Maryland due to the recent floods in these sections.

Cora V. Birekherd '35

**RACE WOMAN MAKES HISTORY**

Full of unbounded confidence in the value of her work, Mrs. Eunice H. Carter has been appointed as one of the lawyers on the staff of Thomas E. Dewey who is directing a two year investigation into crime and racketeering in the City of New York. So far Mrs. Carter is the only colored appointee.

Randolph Brooks '36

for students to get a junior college course. Subject matter needs of the high school graduates will be carefully diagnosed and remedied before they can all have advanced collegiate training.

The active interest of parents and other interested citizens will do much to secure the materialization of the State Teachers' College at Bowie, Md.

Leonidas S. James

Principal.

**ALL EYES TURN EAST**

Recent events which are of great significance to all of the people of the world are tending at almost any time to show a decided retrogression of civilization instead of progress. There seems to still linger in the blood of mankind that spark of barbaric influence which seems to make mankind want to settle disputes other than by pacific means. The event which all of the eyes of the world are centered is the controversy between Italy and Ethiopia.

Ethiopia, according to data which has been compiled by historians, is reputed to be the oldest independent country in the world. From time to time she has been the center of frequent controversies. Countries which appear from the preparedness standpoint to be much stronger than she, have found Ethiopians have the attitude of either do or die for their country. Because of this attitude, foreign aggressors have always been repelled.

It is my fervent belief that for any nation which is constantly the aggressor in any dispute such as the one that is before us today, that nation cannot progress. There may be a doubt as to my belief and from this doubt the question may arise, "Why is Germany progressing since she was the aggressor in the last great controversy?" "You would probably have authentic proof to back up your contention, but I would be willing to say that Germany should be much farther ahead toward the goal of an ideal nation which act incidentally does not exist.

As my parting word I would like to leave this thought. If this controversy leads to war, Ethiopia will be the victor, the world will be thrown into a period of constant warfare, and the country of Italy will no longer be considered as one of the world powers. This will all be due to Italy's defeat at the hand of the small country, Ethiopia.

Henry Holland '35

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BOWIE NORMAL SCHOOL OPENS FOR ACTIVE WORK

"Hello! Glad to see you back! What have you been doing this summer? Did you hear from so and so? I heard so and so has gotten a job". Such remarks being passed back and forth across the campus inform us that old friends meet once more beneath the portals of dear old Bowie. Yes, school has opened again. Most of us will make this institution our home for another nine months in a renewed attempt to soak up as much in the old cranium as possible.

The Utopian pleasures of vacation must terminate for the time being, and in their place must come practical concentration for awhile.

We notice the absence of many old faces and the presence of many new ones. The staff of your paper "THE NORMAL EYE", wishes to extend to our new students a

heartly welcome and spirit of friendliness. We also wish our old students, who have gone forth, the greet at possible success for themselves and praise for their "MATER". Let us who are here for the present strive to cooperate with one of the best faculties to be found in any institution, and let us try to make the school records ring with this year's accomplishments.

Oliver Travers '35  
Editor-in-Chief

FACULTY REVEAL TALENT

The Faculty of the Normal School entertained the student body Saturday, September 28, 1935 at 8:15 p.m.

The outstanding features of the program were: readings by Misses Brown, Chase, Lewis, and Mr. Clark; instrumental solo, Miss Hill; instrumental duett; Mesdames Evans and Law; vocal solo; Miss Robinson; dance duett, Miss Watson and Mr. Wiseman. Last but not least, was a short informative talk by our principal, Mr. Jones. Dance numbers were interspersed between selections.

The evening was enjoyed by all.

Virginia Hudson '36

V I S I T O R S

We have had quite a few visitors on the campus during this month. They are as follows:

- Misses Isie Randall, Rosalie C. Mason, Lorraine & Merita Carroll, Mrs. Meads, Messers Morgan Jones, Joseph Hobbs, Joseph Taylor, Horace Cromwell, Ellsworth Davage, James Waters.

Mrs. Nannie Taylor,

Mr. and Mrs. William Rideout, Jr., Mr. William Rideout, Sr., Mrs. Catherine Seddrige, Miss Mary Page.

Mr. and Mrs. McIntyre of Washington, D. C., Mr. Ottoway Evans, Mr. J. Oliver Hill, Mr. Robert Richardson.  
Ruth Whitney '36

NEGRO TAKES NATIONS' LIME LIGHT IN SPORT WORLD.

If you have been reading the daily papers for about the last six months, you have noticed that certain Negroes have leaped into the nations' lime-light, especially in the field of athletics. It seems that race athletics are absolutely controlling everything in nearly all fields of athletics. It is most assuredly an encouraging and inspiring example.

Joe Louis, one of the most talked of and most perfect fighting machines ever to enter a fighting ring, heads this list. This "Brown Bomber" as he is called by his idolizing fans, has amazed the sports world with his sensational and unique fighting style.

Then the human eagles, deer, and hat not, Jesse Owens, Ralph Metcalfe, Willis Ward, Ben Johnson, Eulace Peacock and others, made and held all recent track records.

It is my earnest hope that these athletic feats of our athletes combined with the worthwhile attributes of our people in other fields as well, will do much in fostering better racial understanding and cooperation.

I know I express the sentiment of twelve million Negroes when I say, "Go ahead; we're proud of you and here's wishing you LUCK."

Oliver Travers '35



RECENT GRADUATES

It is always gratifying to know that the State seldom looks beyond its own products in the placement of teachers in our public schools. For the fiscal year we find most of our recent graduates employed. A success is pleasing not only to their Alma Mater but to their parents as well.

The following positions are held by them:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>PLACE</u>	<u>COUNTY</u>
V. Ridgley	Tee Bee	Prince George's
M. Hill	Mitchellville	" "
E. Hall	Fairmount	Somerset
L. Locks	Steward Town	Montgomery
S. Brooks	Huntingtown	Calvert
G. Bowser	Bosman	Talbot
R. Denson	Chestertown	Kent
L. Turner	Cardova	Talbot
E. Gray	Jones Thicket	Dorchester
E. Martin	Manokin	Somerset
Helen Harmon	Shelltown	Somerset
R. Hayward	Union Bridge	Sarroll
K. F. Nutter	White Haven	Somerset
J. F. Davis	Della	Frederick
H. Brown	Della	Frederick
Janie Ross	Rock Hill	Kent
Alma Dorsey		Hartford
R. Butler		Charles
I. Randall	Chesterfield	Anne Arundel
R. Elzie	Bishop	Worcester

William Hall '36

ORGANIZATION OF THE DRAMATIC CLUB

The Dramatic Club of the State Normal School was organized on Friday, September 20, 1935, under the direction of its sponsor, Miss Charlotte Robinson.

The purpose of the club is to entertain the student body and faculty, and to make visits into other communities if possible. The meetings of the Dramatic Club are to be held each Friday at seven o'clock.

The officers for the club are as follows:

President	-----	Mr. Oliver Travers
Secretary	-----	Miss Virginia Jones
Stage Manager	-----	Mr. Roger Wornley
Costume Mistress	-----	Miss Amanda Molock
Assistant Mistress	-----	Miss Ella Richardson
Electrician	-----	Mr. Claude Prather
Business Manager	-----	Mr. Henry Holland
Publicity Agency	-----	Miss Rose Shockly

H O W D O Y O U D O

It has been an age old custom that at the beginning of each school year the students have an activity, the introduction social, by which they get acquainted. And so it was this year. The old students rendered an enjoyable program including a solo by Mr. Butler on his famous "sex", a medley of solos by Miss Archer and Mr. Travers, and a recitation by Miss Shockly. After the program all of the students danced. Some of the new group were shy, but we think they will be adjusted soon. After dancing awhile the assembly were served with delicious pineapple sherbert and cake. Dancing was resumed, and when the hour of ten arrived, a friendly salute was given for dismissal. The old students really hope that the new ones enjoyed themselves. DID YOU?

Virginia James '36

INTRA-MURAL PROGRAM

Since the Maryland State Normal School will not participate in football this season, the physical education department has planned an interesting Intra-Mural Program.

The officers of the council elected are as follows:

President	-----	Mr. Wornley
Vice President	-----	Mr. Holland
Secretary	-----	Miss E. Davis
Assistant	-----	Miss Jenkins

The remaining members of the council are: Miss Amanda Molock, Miss Edna Black, and Mr. Paul Scott.

Sports Editor  
William Hall '36

A PRODIGY VISITS BOWIE

The singing class of Bowie and the residents of Bowie Normal School, under the direction of Mrs. Adah Jenkins of Baltimore, were entertained on September 20, 1935, by a piano prodigy.

Master Ellis Larkins, who is only  
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ACTIVITIES OF FACULTY DURING THE SUMMER

Well Gang! Here we are back from the summer months to our dear Alma Mater, where we, at this very moment, are conversing with our faculty. Are you listening?

Mrs. Law says, "I spent six weeks at Columbia University in New York. Now I am Librarian, English and Industrial Arts Teacher."

Miss Brown says, "I also spent six weeks at Columbia University in New York. I am teaching History, Social Studies and Junior English".

"I spent six weeks at Columbia University, taking a course in Fine Arts, Play Production, and Stage Craft", says Miss Robinson, the Music teacher. "I am going to stress dramatics more than ever this year".

Just a minute, Miss Hill I would like to know what you did during the summer. "Mind giving us a peep? "I also attended Columbia University and did advanced work beyond my M.A. degree. I took work in Physical Education, Guidance and Personnel. I also spent sometime with my Mother in Bluefield, West Va.

Well Miss Lewis, glad to see you once more. Have a nice summer? "Nice! "I spent

twelve weeks at Ohio State University, completing work for Master of Arts degree in Geography, which I received August 30th., at the summer convocation".

(Miss Lewis is the first Negro student to receive the M.A. degree in the department of Geography at Ohio State University) Congratulations, Miss Lewis! ! !

Why all the smiles, Miss Dockett? Did something interesting happen to you this summer? No fooling! Congratulations, then. So that's that Miss Mabel Dockett says, "I steered my ship in a different direction the sea of matrimony, and on June 29th, 1935 became Mrs. Ottoway Evens. We spent our honeymoon touring the S. E. States. Oh yes, we'll reside in Philadelphia! Mrs. Evens is the Science Teacher.

Mr. Clark is trying to duck this interview, not because he doesn't care to be interviewed, but he is kept so busy. Anyhow I got a few minutes of his time. Here's what he says: "I spent twelve weeks in the Teachers Graduate College at Columbia University". Are you still teaching your same subjects here? "Yes, I teach Psychology, Technique of Teaching, and am the Advisor of the Practice Teachers".

Uh, Oh! Here come the Junior Clerk and Financial Secretary together, Miss Watson and Miss Chase respectively, the first couple I haven't had to run after. "Miss Chase can answer for both. "says Miss Watson". Fine! ! !

"We spent most of our time on the campus, where, during our leisure time, we engaged in such sports as tennis, golf and swimming". Misses Watson and Chase also spent two weeks in New York City.

Mrs. Daniels, you look as if you've had an enjoyable summer; tell us about

it. "Oh I spent most of my time at home in Pittsburgh. I did, however, two weeks of Observation at the University of Pittsburgh". Mrs. Daniels is one of the teachers at the Demonstration School.

"Who is the tallest stylish man next to Mrs. Daniels?" That's Mr. Wiseman. He told me that he completed his work for the B. S. degree at Hampton, in May. He came home for two weeks which he spent at Bowie and Annapolis. On June the 18th., he returned to Hampton to pursue special work in Rural School Supervision and Organization. Mr. Wiseman is the Principal at the Demonstration School.

My Miss Goodwin looks nice in her nurses uniform. I bet she had one grand summer; let's see. "Oh, I did have a fine time. Miss Myrtle Johnson, Mrs. Ruth Crawford, Mrs. Marguerite Fletcher and I spent our time in the Nursery School". They enjoy that because they are fond of little tots.

The last but not least of the faculty who's been dodging me all morning is none other than our principal, L. S. James.

Mr. James spent about ten days at the Teachers' Association at Tallahassee, Florida.

The remainder of the summer he spent on the campus. So it seems a good time was had by all.

C. V. Birekhead '35

JUNIORS ENROLL

As another school year dawns upon us we find the Junior Class enrolled, with minds alert, eager to grasp all the valuable material which is to be presented. The class regrets that Matilda Fuller was not able to remain due to illness, but hopes she

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WHO'S WHO IN THE FRESHMAN CLASS

To replace our fellow students who completed their study in the preparation for teaching last June, we have enrolled this year many Freshmen. These new members are endeavoring to hold Bowie up to the standards maintained by her during the previous years.

They are as follows:

BASKETBALL PLAYERS

G I R L S

Agatha Jones-Salisbury High  
Wilsie Polk -Salisbury High  
Mildred Showell-Salisbury High  
Gladys Jones-Salisbury High  
Amanda Molock-Cambridge High  
Mary Jenkins-Douglas High  
Esther Robbins-Snow Hill High

B O Y S

James Bryant-Lincoln High  
William Bishop-Rockville High  
Granville Furr-Salisbury High  
William Smith-Douglas High

MUSICIANS

James Bryant-----Violinist  
William Smith----Saxaphonist  
Mildred Dickerson  
Inez Johnson  
Dorothy Jefferson-Pianoists

GLEE CLUB ASPIRANTS

Messrs, Furr, Bryant, Johnson,  
Bishop, and Smith

Misses Pauline Briddell  
Wilsie Polk  
Lillian Myers  
Mary Jenkins

VOLLEY BALL

All are volleyball stars and have sounded their warning to all competition.

Ralph Butler '36

THE DOUGLAS DUNBAR LITERARY SOCIETY

The Douglas Dunbar Literary Society gave its annual program for the year with the Freshmen starring. With Miss Inez Johnson as Mistress of Ceremonies, the program was as follows:

Saxophone Solo, Wm. H. Smith, Vocal Solo, Miss Wilsie Polk.

Playlet-Getting acquainted with the Negro Characters-Mary Jenkins, Dorothy Tate, Esther Robbins, Chestina Collick, Elizabeth Davis, Omega Brown and Gladys Williams.

Vocal Solo, William Bishop, Reading, Calverte Berry, Vocal Solo-Lillian Myers, Violin Solo-James Bryant.

The members of the student body and faculty were pleased with the willingness the Freshmen exhibited in displaying their abilities, and I am sure the program was enjoyed.

Carrie Tilghman '36

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twelve years of age, thrilled the group.

Among the selections played were: Rachmanineff's "Prelude in C# Minor", the "Prelude in G" and Chopin's "Minute Waltz".

The young artist was complimented upon his skill by the faculty and students of Bowie Normal School.

Henry Lee '36

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will fully recover and be able to return the next semester. Another member of the class, R. Brittingham is missing, we are anxiously awaiting her return.

Winifred Green '37

THE EYE OF THE STUDENT

We are quite proud of the versatility exemplified in our faculty staff. The first semester here opens with many of them not instructing in the fields known as their speciality. The fact that they are carrying graciously the responsibilities of added courses to their teaching load points out the fact.

Miss J.H. Brown, instructor of History and Social Studies adds the responsibility of Junior English, while Mrs. Mary Law, being relieved of English, acts as the Librarian and the instructor of Industrial Arts.

Miss M. E. Lewis instructs all classes in Geography and Arithmetic methods, while Miss C.B. Robinson, Director of Music also heads Dramatics which is expected to play an important roll in the social life of the school.

Miss Beatrice O. Hill gives instruction in Personal & Community Health and activity supervises the senior teaching in physical education and recreational activities. She also becomes the Director of Physical Education.

Mrs. Evans, the former Miss Dockett, adds Rural Economics to her responsibilities as an instructor of Educational Biology.

Mr. Clark, the Supervisor of Rural Practice instructs Ed. Psychology, Technique of Teaching & Modern Problems in Rural Schools.

Roger Wormley '36