

Valdosta, Georgia

August 24, 1955

Chancellor Harmon W. Caldwell  
University System of Georgia  
20 Ivy Street, S. E.  
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Chancellor Caldwell:

I wish to submit herewith the Annual Report for Valdosta State College for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955.

FACULTY

We have had a very satisfactory year with very few changes in our staff. Just at the opening of the college last fall, Mrs. Lorone H. Lashar, Assistant Professor of Psychology resigned to accompany her husband who was transferred to Ft. Lauderdale, Florida by his employers. Mr. Noah Langdale, Jr. was employed on a part time basis to carry her work. He taught only one class each term and was a most capable teacher.

Mr. William Cabard, Assistant Professor of History was on leave during the entire school year and attended the Graduate School at Tulane University. He completed the course work for the Ph. D. degree with an



excellent record. He is now working on his dissertation and resumed his teaching during the second term of the current Summer Session.

Miss Sarah Weems, Associate Professor of Home Economics went on leave at the close of the Fall Quarter. She took additional work during the Winter and Spring Quarters at Drexel Institute. During the Summer, she has been in residence at the University of Tennessee, working on the Ph. D. degree. Mrs. Vennis Tullis, a former member of our faculty carried the Home Economics work during the winter. No courses were offered in the spring in this department.

Dr. J. Graham Wall, Associate Professor of Mathematics and Physics completed his work and received the Doctor of Education degree from the University of Georgia last August.

Mr. Jack McGraw joined our staff in September as Director of Public Relations and Assistant Professor of Social Science. He has done an excellent job in Public Relations as well as his teaching of geography.

At the close of the year, Mrs. C. C. Whittle, House-Director in Converse Hall reached retirement age, and went on retired status on July 1st.

Mr. Harold Thompson joined our faculty in September as Assistant Professor of Music. He replaced Miss Gladys Warren as instructor in piano. Associate Professor Clayton Logan assumed the duties of Departmental Head in the Music Department upon the retirement of Miss Warren.

Mr. Walter Cottingham assumed the duties as Head of the Department of Physical Education upon the retirement of Miss Leonora Ivy in September.

Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, Assistant Professor of Physical Education resigned at the end of the school year to be married. She is being replaced by Mrs. Harris Mathis of Valdosta, formerly a member of our staff.



As a permanent replacement for Mrs. Lasher, we are adding for next year as Assistant Professor of Psychology, Mr. Spencer Jarnagin. Mr. Jarnagin is a doctoral candidate from Florida State University, and comes to us highly recommended.

During the Summer Session of 1954, we had the equivalent of  $14\frac{1}{2}$  full time teachers working. During the regular session, we had 20 full time teachers teaching. In addition to the full time teaching in the summer of 1954, the President of the college taught one class of history. The Dean of Women also taught one course. The Academic Dean taught two classes during the summer. During the regular session the President taught one class. The Dean of Women taught one class each quarter, as did Mr. McCoy, the Controller. The Academic Dean carried two courses a quarter. Due to an over-flow in Human Biology, Mrs. Grady Bennett, resident nurse in our infirmary carried one class of Biology each of two quarters.

Miss Marguerite Ford taught one class of Psychology; Mrs. Beth McRae carried one class of speech, and Mrs. Earl McKey taught the over-flow class in voice. Each of these worked only one quarter.

During the regular school year we had 6 full professors teaching at an average salary of \$5362. for the nine months period. We had 10 associate professors at an average salary of \$4250. We had 6 assistant professors at an average salary of \$3916. None of the administrative staff who taught are figured in these averages. Mr. McGraw, Director of Public Relations taught one class in the Spring Quarter.

Mrs. Lee Bennett, part-time instructor carried one third of a load as did Mr. Langdale, Part-time Instructor in Psychology.



The following tables present the quarter hour load and the student load of the various staff members during the summer of 1954, and during the regular academic year 1954-1955.

**TABLE I. Quarter Hour Teaching Load, Summer, 1954** ✓

**TABLE II. Student Load, Summer, 1954** ✓

**TABLE III. Quarter Hour Teaching Load, Regular Session, 1954-1955** ✓

**TABLE IV. Student Load, Regular Session, 1954-1955** ✓



TABLE I

Quarter Hour Teaching Load

Summer 1954

| <u>Faculty Member</u> | <u>First Term</u> | <u>Second Term</u> | <u>Administrative Office</u> |
|-----------------------|-------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|
| Booker, Ted W.        | 10                | 5                  |                              |
| Carter, Marjorie E.   | 10                | 10                 | Dormitory Resident Head      |
| Durrenberger, J. A.   |                   | 10                 | Academic Dean                |
| Gabard, William M.    | 10                |                    | Director of Publicity        |
| Gulliver, Harold S.   |                   | 10                 |                              |
| Knight, Corinne       | 10                |                    |                              |
| Lasher, Lorene        | 5                 | 5                  |                              |
| Logan, Clayton        | 10                |                    |                              |
| Odum, Gertrude G.     | 10                |                    |                              |
| O'Steen, Nadine P.    | 10                |                    |                              |
| Pember, Joseph        | 10                |                    |                              |
| Thaxton, J. Ralph     | 5                 |                    | President                    |
| Wall, J. Graham       | 10                | 5                  | Acting Dean of Men           |
| Wisembaker, Mrs. Joe  | 5                 |                    | Dean of Women                |
| Wolfe, Flora Belle    |                   | 5                  |                              |



TABLE II.

Student Load

| Faculty -- Summer 1954 | First Term | Second Term |
|------------------------|------------|-------------|
| Booker, Ted W.         | 34*        | 13          |
| Carter, Marjorie E.    | 54         | 56          |
| Durrenberger, J. A.    |            | 57          |
| Gabard, William M.     | 44         |             |
| Gulliver, Harold S.    |            | 77          |
| Knight, Corinne        | 34**       |             |
| Logan, Clayton         | 52         |             |
| Lasher, Lorene H.      | 37         | 39          |
| Odum, Gertrude G.      | 24         |             |
| O'Steen, Nadine P.     | 36*        |             |
| Pember, Joseph         | 77         |             |
| Thaxton, J. Ralph      | 28         |             |
| Wall, J. Graham        | 38         | 27          |
| Wisembaker, Mrs. Joe   | 58         |             |
| Wolfe, Flora Belle     |            | 53          |

\*2/5 of Workshop Enrollment

\*\*1/5 of Workshop Enrollment, plus one regular class



## Quarter Hour Teaching Load

Academic Year 1954-1955

| <u>Faculty Member</u> | <u>Fall</u> | <u>Winter</u> | <u>Spring</u> | <u>Administrative Office</u> |
|-----------------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|------------------------------|
| Babcock, LeRoy        | 15          | 15            | 15(*1)        |                              |
| Bennett, Lee          | 5           |               | 10            |                              |
| Bennett, Lula M.      | 5           | 5             |               | Resident Nurse               |
| Bettman, Bernard      | 15          | 20            | 15            |                              |
| Booker, Ted W.        | 15          | 10            | 10            |                              |
| Carter, Marjorie E.   | 10          | 15            | 10            | Dormitory Resident Head      |
| Cottingham, Walter    | 6           | 8             | 6             |                              |
| Deavor, Margaret      | 10          | 15            | 15            |                              |
| Durrenberger, J. A.   | 10          | 10            | 10            | Academic Dean                |
| Ford, Marguerite      | 5           |               |               |                              |
| Gulliver, Harold S.   | 15          | 20(*2)        | 15            |                              |
| Knight, Corinne S.    | 1(*3)       | 1(*4)         | 11            |                              |
| Langdale, Noah Jr.    | 5           | 5             | 5             |                              |
| Logan, Clayton        | 25(*5)      | 16(*6)        | 14(*7)        |                              |
| McCoy, Shealy E.      | 5           | 5             | 5             | Comptroller                  |
| McGraw, Jack          |             |               | 5             | Director of Publicity        |
| McKey, Martha W.      |             | 7(*8)         |               |                              |
| McRae, Beth W.        |             |               | 1             |                              |
| Nevins, Beatrice I.   | 15          | 25(*9)        | 20(*2)        |                              |
| Odum, Gertrude G.     | 15          | 15            | 15            |                              |
| Pember, Joseph W.     | 15          | 15            | 20(*1)        |                              |
| Price, Mildred M.     | 15          | 15            | 15            |                              |
| Sawyer, Louise A.     | 14(*10)     | 17(*11)       | 13(*10)       |                              |
| Smith, Elizabeth W.   | 11½(*12)    | 6             | 10            |                              |
| Spear, James          | 15          | 15            | 15            |                              |
| Thaxton, J. Ralph     | 5           |               |               | President                    |
| Thompson, Harold      | 11(*13)     | 16(*14)       | 14(*14)       |                              |
| Treanor, Sepelo       | 15          | 15            | 15            |                              |
| Tullis, Vennis        |             | 5             |               |                              |
| Valente, Phyllis      | 11          | 13½(*12)      | 13            |                              |
| Wall, J. Graham       | 15          | 15            | 20            | Acting Dean of Men           |
| Weems, Sarah P.       | 15          |               |               |                              |
| Wisnaker, Mrs. Joe    | 5           | 5             | 5             | Dean of Women                |

- \*1 - Includes a 5-quarter-hour Saturday class, January 29 - May 21
- \*2 - Supervision of 1 student taking a 5-quarter-hour honors course
- \*3 - Also, supervision of 4 student teachers, earning 15 quarter hours each
- \*4 - Also, supervision of 7 student teachers, earning 15 quarter hours each
- \*5 - Includes a 5-quarter-hour Saturday class, September 18 - January 22; and 15 private pupils (1 clock hour each)
- \*6 - Includes 9 private pupils (1 clock hour each)
- \*7 - Fourteen private pupils (1 clock hour each)
- \*8 - Seven private pupils (1 clock hour each)
- \*9 - Supervision of 2 students taking 5-quarter-hour honors courses (indiv. study)
- \*10 - Includes 2 private pupils (1 clock hour each)
- \*11 - Includes 3 private pupils (1 clock hour each)
- \*12 - Includes first half of a 5-quarter-hour Saturday class, September 18 - January 22. Second half of class taught by Mrs. Valente.
- \*13 - Includes 4 private pupils (1 clock hour each)
- \*14 - Includes 6 private pupils (1 clock hour each)



TABLE IV.

Student Load

| Faculty -- 1954-1955 | Fall | Winter | Spring |
|----------------------|------|--------|--------|
| Babcock, LeRoy       | 60   | 94     | 91     |
| Bennett, Lee         | 16   |        | 27     |
| Bennett, Lula M.     | 29   | 34     |        |
| Bettman, Bernard     | 54   | 62     | 60     |
| Booker, Ted W.       | 37   | 24     | 29     |
| Carter, Marjorie F.  | 53   | 95     | 34     |
| Cottingham, Walter   | 57   | 82     | 29     |
| Deavor, Margaret     | 48   | 72     | 54     |
| Durrenberger, J. A.  | 34   | 71     | 57     |
| Ford, Marguerite     | 19   |        |        |
| Gulliver, Harold S.  | 72   | 94     | 78     |
| Knight, Corinne      | 13   | 28     | 27     |
| Langdale, Noah Jr.   | 22   | 43     | 42     |
| Logan, Clayton       | 38   | 24     | 14     |
| McCoy, Shealy        | 35   | 40     | 25     |
| McGraw, Jack         |      |        | 20     |
| McKey, Martha        |      | 7      |        |
| McRae, Beth          |      |        | 19     |
| Nevins, Beatrice I.  | 68   | 42     | 77     |
| Odum, Gertrude G.    | 74   | 69     | 74     |
| Pember, Joseph       | 31   | 29     | 60     |
| Price, Mildred M.    | 105  | 68     | 113    |
| Sawyer, Louise       | 96   | 50     | 70     |
| Smith, Elisabeth W.  | 129  | 46     | 79     |
| Spear, James         | 100  | 71     | 116    |
| Thaxton, J. Ralph    | 39   |        |        |
| Thompson, Harold     | 53   | 36     | 14     |
| Treanor, Sapelo      | 29   | 29     | 25     |
| Tullis, Vennis       |      | 4      |        |
| Valente, Phyllis     | 76   | 60     | 80     |
| Wall, J. Graham      | 68   | 45     | 58     |
| Weems, Sarah P.      | 13   |        |        |
| Wisnbaker, Mrs. Joe  | 17   | 13     | 13     |

*Exhibit 4*

I am well pleased with the work of our faculty members and I do not believe there is any better group in the University System. Most of our staff are active members of their professional societies, and we are well represented in Who's Who in the South and Southeast, Who's Who in American Education and in the Dictionary of American Scholars.



STUDENTS

Although we are still feeling the results of the transition to the twelve year school system, we feel that we have had a very satisfactory enrollment both in the Summer Session of 1954, as well as during the regular session of 1954-1955. The following tables give the breakdown of enrollment by classes; by residence; the number of women as compared to men; the number of veterans and non-veterans; the number of degrees conferred, and a summary by major fields of study.

TABLE I. Enrollment Report, Summer Session, 1954 ✓

TABLE II. Enrollment Report by Quarters, Regular Session, 1954-1955 ✓

TABLE III. Enrollment Report, Cumulative for year 1954-1955

TABLE IV. Degrees Conferred ✓

TABLE V. Cumulative Enrollment by Counties, 1954-1955 ✓

TABLE VI. Distribution of enrollment by classes, 1954-1955



VALDOSTA STATE COLLEGE

ENROLLMENT REPORT

TABLE I.

|                            | SUMMER SESSION 1954 |       | P.L. 16<br>AND 306<br>VETERANS |          | P.L. 550<br>VETERANS |           | NON-<br>RESIDENTS<br>OF<br>GEORGIA |            | NON-<br>RESIDENTS |  | TOTAL<br>ENROLLMENT | TOTAL QUARTER<br>HOURS FOR WHICH<br>STUDENTS ENROLLED |
|----------------------------|---------------------|-------|--------------------------------|----------|----------------------|-----------|------------------------------------|------------|-------------------|--|---------------------|---|
|                            | MEM                 | WOMEN | VETERANS                       | VETERANS | VETERANS             | RESIDENTS | RESIDENTS                          | ENROLLMENT |                   |  |                     |   |
| <u>FIRST TERM</u>          |                     |       |                                |          |                      |           |                                    |            |                   |  |                     |   |
| REGULAR<br>ENROLLMENT      | 56                  | 215   | 3                              | 22       | 216                  | 269       | 2                                  | 271        | 2600              |  |                     |   |
| SATURDAY<br>CLASSES (NONE) | ---                 | ---   | ---                            | ---      | ---                  | ---       | ---                                | ---        | ---               |  |                     |   |
| EVENING<br>CLASSES (NONE)  | ---                 | ---   | ---                            | ---      | ---                  | ---       | ---                                | ---        | ---               |  |                     |   |
| <u>SECOND TERM</u>         |                     |       |                                |          |                      |           |                                    |            |                   |  |                     |   |
| REGULAR<br>ENROLLMENT      | 48                  | 130   | 2                              | 20       | 156                  | 177       | 1                                  | 178        | 1625              |  |                     |   |
| SATURDAY<br>CLASSES (NONE) | ---                 | ---   | ---                            | ---      | ---                  | ---       | ---                                | ---        | ---               |  |                     |   |
| EVENING<br>CLASSES (NONE)  | ---                 | ---   | ---                            | ---      | ---                  | ---       | ---                                | ---        | ---               |  |                     |   |



ENROLLMENT REPORT

TABLE II.

|                            | MEN    | WOMEN | P. L. 16<br>AND 346<br>VETERANS | P. L. 550<br>VETERANS | NON-<br>VETERANS | RESIDENTS<br>OF<br>GEORGIA | NON-<br>RESIDENTS | TOTAL<br>ENROLLMENT | TOTAL QUARTER<br>HOURS FOR WHICH<br>STUDENTS ENROLLED |
|----------------------------|--------|-------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|---|
| <u>FALL QUARTER 1954</u>   |        |       |                                 |                       |                  |                            |                   |                     |   |
| REGULAR ENROLLMENT         | 168    | 210   | 4                               | 46                    | 328              | 370                        | 8                 | 378                 | 6039.5  |
| *SATURDAY CLASSES          | 3      | 89    | 0                               | 0                     | 92               | 91                         | 1                 | 92                  | 460   |
| EVENING CLASSES            | (NONE) |       |                                 |                       |                  |                            |                   |                     |   |
| <u>WINTER QUARTER 1955</u> |        |       |                                 |                       |                  |                            |                   |                     |   |
| REGULAR ENROLLMENT         | 179    | 202   | 2                               | 50                    | 329              | 373                        | 8                 | 381                 | 6054  |
| SATURDAY CLASSES           | (NONE) |       |                                 |                       |                  |                            |                   |                     |   |
| EVENING CLASSES            | (NONE) |       |                                 |                       |                  |                            |                   |                     |   |
| <u>SPRING QUARTER 1955</u> |        |       |                                 |                       |                  |                            |                   |                     |   |
| REGULAR ENROLLMENT         | 165    | 194   | 2                               | 54                    | 303              | 354                        | 5                 | 359                 | 5697  |
| ** SATURDAY CLASSES        | 1      | 68    | 0                               | 0                     | 69               | 67                         | 2                 | 69                  | 345   |
| EVENING CLASSES            | (NONE) |       |                                 |                       |                  |                            |                   |                     |   |

\*Saturday Classes: September 18 - January 22

\*\* Saturday Classes: January 29 - May 21



TABLE III.

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Student Enrollment by Classes, Cumulative for year 1954 - 1955

|                         | Men        | Women      | P.L. 16<br>and 346<br>Veterans | P.L. 550<br>Veterans | Non-<br>Veterans | Residents  |                   | Total<br>Enrollment |
|-------------------------|------------|------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|------------------|------------|-------------------|---------------------|
|                         |            |            |                                |                      |                  | Georgia    | Non-<br>Residents |                     |
| <u>Regular Session</u>  |            |            |                                |                      |                  |            |                   |                     |
| Freshman                | <u>110</u> | <u>108</u> | <u>0</u>                       | <u>32</u>            | <u>186</u>       | <u>210</u> | <u>8</u>          | <u>218</u>          |
| Sophomore               | <u>42</u>  | <u>59</u>  | <u>0</u>                       | <u>17</u>            | <u>84</u>        | <u>99</u>  | <u>2</u>          | <u>101</u>          |
| Junior                  | <u>34</u>  | <u>25</u>  | <u>2</u>                       | <u>11</u>            | <u>46</u>        | <u>59</u>  | <u>0</u>          | <u>59</u>           |
| Senior                  | <u>22</u>  | <u>30</u>  | <u>2</u>                       | <u>5</u>             | <u>45</u>        | <u>52</u>  | <u>0</u>          | <u>52</u>           |
| Specials and Irregulars | <u>5</u>   | <u>13</u>  | <u>0</u>                       | <u>0</u>             | <u>18</u>        | <u>18</u>  | <u>0</u>          | <u>18</u>           |
| Saturday                | <u>4</u>   | <u>121</u> | <u>0</u>                       | <u>0</u>             | <u>125</u>       | <u>123</u> | <u>2</u>          | <u>125</u>          |
| Evening                 | —          | —          | —                              | —                    | —                | —          | —                 | —                   |
| (None)                  | —          | —          | —                              | —                    | —                | —          | —                 | —                   |
| Total                   | 217        | 356        | 4                              | 65                   | 504              | 561        | 12                | 573                 |



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TABLE IV. Degrees Conferred

|                         | <u>Bachelor of Arts</u> |              | <u>Bachelor of Science</u> |              |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|--------------|
|                         | <u>Men</u>              | <u>Women</u> | <u>Men</u>                 | <u>Women</u> |
| Summer 1954             | 2                       | 2            | 1                          | 24           |
| Regular Session 1954-55 | <u>11</u>               | <u>6</u>     | <u>6</u>                   | <u>21</u>    |
| <b>Total</b>            | 13                      | 8            | 7                          | 45           |

Analysis of Degrees Granted Summer 1954 and June 1955 as to Majoring Departments

|                                    | <u>Men</u> | <u>Women</u> |
|------------------------------------|------------|--------------|
| Biology                            | 3          | 2            |
| Chemistry                          | 1          |              |
| Education                          |            | 34           |
| English                            | 4          | 5            |
| History                            | 4          | 2            |
| Home Economics                     |            | 4            |
| Humanities Major, Art Emphasis     | 1          |              |
| Humanities Major, English Emphasis |            | 1            |
| Humanities Major, Music Emphasis   | 1          |              |
| Mathematics                        | 1          |              |
| Secretarial Science                |            | 2            |
| Sociology                          | 3          |              |
| Sociology--Social Work             | <u>2</u>   | <u>3</u>     |
| <b>Total</b>                       | 20         | 53           |

Two-Year Secretarial Science Certificates

Regular Session 1954-55                      8 women



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TABLE V.

Cumulative Enrollment by Counties  
1954 - 1955

| <u>County</u> | <u>Number of Students</u> |                 |                | <u>County</u> | <u>Number of Students</u> |                 |                |
|---------------|---------------------------|-----------------|----------------|---------------|---------------------------|-----------------|----------------|
|               | <u>Regular</u>            | <u>Saturday</u> | <u>Evening</u> |               | <u>Regular</u>            | <u>Saturday</u> | <u>Evening</u> |
| Atkinson      | 5                         | 4               |                | Jeff Davis    | 1                         |                 |                |
| Bacon         | 1                         |                 |                | Lanier        | 15                        | 3               |                |
| Baldwin       | 1                         |                 |                | Lowndes       | 184                       | 11              |                |
| Ben Hill      | 2                         | 3               |                | Macon         | 1                         |                 |                |
| Berrin        | 23                        | 19              |                | Miller        | 4                         |                 |                |
| Bibb          | 1                         |                 |                | Mitchell      | 1                         | 5               |                |
| Brooks        | 31                        | 5               |                | Muscogee      | 6                         |                 |                |
| Charlton      | 4                         |                 |                | Pierce        | 1                         |                 |                |
| Chatham       | 1                         |                 |                | Randolph      |                           | 1               |                |
| Clay          | 1                         |                 |                | Seminole      | 3                         |                 |                |
| Clinch        | 10                        | 4               |                | Sumter        | 1                         |                 |                |
| Coffee        |                           | 12              |                | Taliaferre    | 1                         |                 |                |
| Colquitt      | 18                        | 15              |                | Telfair       | 1                         |                 |                |
| Cook          | 13                        | 10              |                | Thomas        | 18                        | 3               |                |
| Crisp         | 3                         |                 |                | Tift          | 3                         | 6               |                |
| Decatur       | 4                         | 4               |                | Toombs        | 4                         |                 |                |
| DeKalb        | 2                         |                 |                | Turner        | 2                         |                 |                |
| Dodge         | 1                         |                 |                | Ware          | 12                        | 12              |                |
| Dooly         | 1                         |                 |                | Wayne         | 1                         |                 |                |
| Dougherty     | 13                        |                 |                | Wilcox        | 5                         |                 |                |
| Echols        | 4                         | 3               |                | Worth         | 7                         | 2               |                |
| Elbert        | 1                         |                 |                |               |                           |                 |                |
| Fulton        | 3                         |                 |                |               |                           |                 |                |
| Glynn         | 2                         |                 |                |               |                           |                 |                |
| Grady         | 11                        | 1               |                |               |                           |                 |                |
| Houston       | 1                         |                 |                |               |                           |                 |                |
| Irwin         | 3                         |                 |                |               |                           |                 |                |



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TABLE V.

Cumulative Enrollment by Counties - 1954-55 (continued)

Out of State Students

|         | <u>Regular</u> | <u>Saturday</u> | <u>Evening</u> |
|---------|----------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Florida | 14             | 2               |                |

Foreign Students

|      |   |  |  |
|------|---|--|--|
| Iraq | 1 |  |  |
|------|---|--|--|

| <u>Totals</u> | <u>Regular</u> | <u>Saturday</u> | <u>Evening</u> |
|---------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------|
| In State      | 433            | 123             |                |
| Out of State  | 14             | 2               |                |
| Foreign       | 1              |                 |                |



Distribution of Enrollment in Classes

| Number of Students in<br>Each Class | Number of Classes |           |           |           |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
|                                     | Summer            | Fall      | Winter    | Spring    |
| 0 - 4 Graduate only                 |                   |           |           |           |
| 0 - 4 Other                         |                   | 8         | 9         | 9         |
| 5 - 9 Graduate only                 |                   |           |           |           |
| 5 - 9 Other                         |                   | 8         | 5         | 11        |
| 10 - 14 Graduate only               |                   |           |           |           |
| 10 - 14 Other                       | 4                 | 9         | 14        | 7         |
| 15 - 19                             | 7                 | 14        | 12        | 12        |
| 20 - 24                             | 5                 | 9         | 5         | 12        |
| 25 - 29                             | 4                 | 9         | 7         | 8         |
| 30 - 34                             | 4                 | 2         | 6         | 5         |
| 35 - 39                             | 3                 | 4         | 3         | 3         |
| 40 - 44                             | 1                 | 6         | 4         | 4         |
| 45 - 49                             |                   | 1         | 1         |           |
| 50 - 54                             | 1                 |           | 1         |           |
| 55 - 59                             | 2                 | 1         |           | 1         |
| 60 - 64                             |                   |           |           |           |
| 65 - 69                             |                   |           |           |           |
| 70 - 74                             |                   |           |           |           |
| 75 - 79                             |                   |           |           |           |
| 80 - 84                             |                   |           |           |           |
| 85 - 89                             |                   |           |           |           |
| 90 - 94                             |                   |           |           |           |
| 95 - 99                             |                   |           |           |           |
| 100 and over                        |                   |           |           |           |
| <b>Total</b>                        | <b>31</b>         | <b>71</b> | <b>66</b> | <b>72</b> |



Scholarship

1954 - 1955

Honors

On the basis of grades earned during the Fall Quarter, the names of 40 students appeared on the Dean's List. For the Winter and Spring Quarters, the numbers of students on the Dean's List were 44 and 31, respectively. Dean's List rating represents approximately one-third A's and two-thirds B's for junior college students, and approximately half A's and half B's for senior college students. Exclusive of duplicates, a total of 67 students attained Dean's List rating one or more quarters during the year.

Students attaining a quality point standing of 2.5, or half A's and half B's as an average, on all work taken in residence at Valdosta State College are graduated with honors. In June, 1955, six students were graduated with honors.

Dismissal

At the end of the academic year 1953-1954, there were 15 students whose scholarship was such as to make them ineligible for readmission in September 1954. Of these, 3 re-established eligibility on the basis of summer work, and 4 returned after a lapse of one or two quarters. Thus, of the 15, 7 were in residence at some time during the year 1954-1955. Academic exclusion regulations caused 5 students to be dropped at the end of the Fall Quarter 1954, 5 at the end of the Winter Quarter 1955, and 26 at the end of the academic year in June 1955.



I am including in this report the reports of the Dean of Women, Mrs. Joe Wisenbaker and Dean of Men, Dr. J. Graham Wall, as I believe they will give a considerable insight to the conduct of the students, dormitory life and other affairs of the students.

REPORT OF THE DEAN OF WOMEN

Dear Dr. Thaxton:

I am submitting the following as my annual report:

Dormitories:

Converse Hall continues to be fresh looking in most instances.

The house director has kept the building in excellent condition. The tile in the upstairs bathroom needs some repair which must be done during the summer.

The parlor continues to need a rug or rugs and draperies to improve the bare look which is now evident.

There should be a "rush" or fiber rug of some kind placed in the lobby. The present rug is too dilapidated to be used another year, and the floor is in quite bad condition.

There should be constructed, arranged or planned in some way a closet to take care of brooms and other cleaning materials. At present, these are left in the elevator. We will also plan a better way to dispose of garbage at the elevator doors. It is rather unsightly at present.

Ashley Hall, of course, is in need of complete renovation. Since the appropriation has already been made, I shall have only a few suggestions.



When the Rotunda is decorated, the two offices should be included in the plan so that on entrance a uniform appearance will be presented. Rugs should be placed in all three offices.

The room presently used by Dr. Carter as an office should be arranged as an extra parlor - this is greatly needed in that building.

I think the College should furnish the rug for Ashley Hall's house director's sitting room as that is not wholly a personal sitting room.

It would be a needed addition to plan an apartment for the dietitian in the northeast corner of the old dining hall.

A kitchen for the use of the students and for use when entertaining in the Rotunda is almost a necessity.

The House-in-the-Woods, which is in constant use both by students and faculty, needs much improvement. A new supply of the china designed for this building has been ordered. An equal amount of glassware should be added. Silverware needs replacement also. The Sigma Alpha Omega sorority presented the House-in-the-Woods with five Sampson card tables.

Dormitory Staff:

Mrs. C. C. Whittle, house director for Converse having reached compulsory retirement age, has been replaced by Mrs. Carl Maynard of Waycross. While Mrs. Maynard has had no experience as a house director, she has other qualifications such as personality, native ability and skill as a homemaker, which would appear to fit her for such a position. Mrs. Maynard will also have the supervision of the House-in-the-Woods. She has the supervision of one fulltime and one part-time maid in keeping her buildings in good condition.



Dr. Carter, who has been a part-time teacher as well as house director for Ashley Hall, has elected to become a full-time teacher, which necessitated her replacement. Mrs. Millie Knowles of Dublin has been selected as her successor. Mrs. Knowles has had several years experience as a dietitian, has also assisted as a house director, and it would appear that she is suited for such a position. Mrs. Knowles will have the supervision of one full-time and one part-time maid in the care of Ashley Hall. In addition, she will have the supervision of student laundry.

These directors have been assisted in the operation of the dormitories by six paid monitors or desk hostesses who serve in each dormitory from 7:30 until 11:00 p.m. It is rather difficult to secure competent and reliable people for these positions. I would like to suggest that the pay scale be increased, if possible, this coming year. I am also requesting two additional monitors. It is almost necessary that one be stationed on the second floor of Converse Hall. If the enrollment reaches the peak we anticipate, it will be almost impossible to operate without this additional personnel.

Sophomore Counselors:

Last year we had Sophomore Counselors for the first time. In evaluating their services, the Counselors felt that they themselves had profited from the experience, had developed leadership and poise and had become more mature persons. The Freshman girls have appreciated the counseling and helpfulness of these girls and unanimously decided



that such a system should be continued for another year. The house director also felt that they were an addition to the dormitory staff. We believe that the rapid adjustment of the Freshman girls and the lack of homesickness could be attributed to these Sophomore Counselors.

#### Discipline:

Two items of major discipline occurred during the year.

Three weeks after school opened in September, two Freshman girls were discovered to have been drinking. Such an event could not be ignored. They were called before Student Government, reprimanded and restricted by the Court. In addition, the Dean of Women placed the girls on probation for the remainder of the quarter. Of course, these girls could have been sent home at once, but the policy of the College is to save rather than banish. The policy is to give a student a second chance to afford an opportunity for development of character and responsibility. In these two cases, the effort seemed justified.

The other case involved a student who had been dismissed from the University of Georgia. It had been thought that in a smaller college this student would receive more personal attention and be able to adjust herself to more conventional standards. It was a disappointment to both faculty and counselors that under stress she had not been able to withstand temptation. A condition was present within her when she arrived at the college which we were unable to combat. Several events happened which could be explained but never quite understood. Just before the end of the Spring Quarter, she left the dormitory during the evening with two young men and stayed out until about eight the next morning; no satisfactory



explanation could be given for this unconventional behavior. Her parents were notified and they came for their daughter. It was felt that the school could not be responsible for such unusual behavior. The President of the College was present at the interview with the parents, and they, while regretful of the situation, were most understanding and withdrew their daughter as of that date.

It is worthwhile noting that such action met the wholehearted approval and support of the student body.

In spite of the two episodes described above, I still can say it has been a good year. The spirit of the school has been excellent; cooperation and support have been given unstintedly. Evidences of growth and development have been shown by many students. Parents have come by the office in several instances to comment on the newer, more mature attitudes developed in their daughters and to express appreciation to the college.

There also have been evidences that there is a wholesome relationship between faculty and students and there is a growing unity in the student body.

The Dean of Men and the Dean of Women jointly addressed a letter to every member of the student body which was asking an evaluation of themselves personally. Although no replies were asked or expected, there was a favorable response from the students.

As Dean of Women, I have endeavored to serve on any faculty committee to which I have been appointed and perform any duties I was assigned.

The most important extra social function carried out by the College was the entertainment of about 400 visitors to the city, delegates to the



W.S.C.S. of the South Georgia Methodist Church.

In company with Mrs. Shrivalle, the dietitian, I visited six colleges this spring. We inspected dining halls, discussed dining hall procedures, menus, furnishings, etc.

As representative of the College, I spoke to groups of club women in several neighboring towns. I also represented the College on local committees and at various social functions.

Again, I wish to express my deep appreciation to you personally for the many courtesies accorded me, for the privilege of attending the Deans of Women's national meeting, and for the unfailing support and wise counsel so willingly given.

Mrs. Joe Wisenbaker  
Dean of Women

#### REPORT OF THE DEAN OF MEN

Dear Dr. Thaxton:

I submit the following annual report from the office of the Dean of Men's Dormitories:

Numerous small items of equipment are needed in Senior Hall, the men's dormitory. Such things as towel racks, mirrors, and shelves for shaving materials are missing from many of the rooms. Also some rooms are lacking in chairs. The screens in a few of the windows have holes which are large enough to let in flies and mosquitoes. A check should be made of each room



and the necessary equipment replaced. A vigorous effort will be made to enlist the aid of the occupants in taking better care of the rooms, and of the dormitory in general.

Mrs. Mary Scoyers, the house director for Senior Hall, was to have been assisted in her efforts to maintain reasonable conditions for study and rest by a dormitory council, which consisted of five dormitory students of the dormitory. This council did not function effectively. Hence, I have drawn up a minimum list of regulations which are to be printed in the "V" Book. These regulations are intended as a guide to the general behavior of the men students. I believe this is the first time that conduct regulations for the men have been included in the "V - Book". It is hoped that having something definite as to what is expected in the behavior of the men will help in making the dormitory a better place in which to live and work.

#### Fraternities:

The two men's fraternities, Mu Alpha and Filii Fortunae each contain about twenty-five active members. Both fraternities have expressed the desire to become affiliated with a national group, and several representatives of national fraternities have been interviewed.

#### Discipline:

Two major cases of discipline occurred during the year.

About a week before the end of the winter quarter three senior boys were dismissed for an accumulation of offences. These three had been brought before the Dean of Men on numerous occasions. It was determined that they had repeatedly violated the rules of decent behavior and that



they were incorrigible. The Discipline Committee voted to drop these three for the remainder of the year.

The second major disciplinary case occurred about two weeks before the end of the school year. This case involved a day student who became intoxicated, came into the men's dormitory late at night and created considerable disturbance. When asked to leave by the night watchman, the student became very violent and abusive toward the watchman. The Discipline Committee voted to dismiss the student for the remainder of the year.

It has been my policy as Dean of Men to encourage at every opportunity and by every available method the development of high standards of conduct, morally, scholastically, and spiritually on the part of the men students.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. Graham Wall,  
Dean of Men



### STUDENT ACTIVITIES

The Student Activity Program and the Student Government Association are under the supervision of Mrs. Joe Wisenbaker and Dr. J. Graham Wall. All activities are scheduled through their offices, directed by various committees of the Student Government Association. Both the Y. W. C. A. and the Y. M. C. A. were quite active during the year. The Baptist Student Union and the Wesleyan Foundation both operate on our campus. A very good representation of the students participate in the activities of these four organizations. Certainly the religious side of our student activities is not neglected.

The usual number of dances were held by the various number of organizations during the year. Likewise, the various Departmental Clubs were active during the year.

<sup>Three</sup> Two local fraternities and two local sororities have played a big part in activities on this campus during the year. All four of these groups have been invited by four of the most reputable fraternities and sororities to petition for chapters. The administrative staff and the faculty feel that such affiliation would be helpful to us on this campus. We regret very much that the Board of Regents does not share this opinion with us.

The health of the student body was excellent last year. The Health Service, under the able direction of Dr. Robert Stump, College Physician, and Mrs. Grady Bennett, Resident Nurse was most efficient. All students received a physical examination at registration in the fall, and Dr. Stump



kept regular office hours to see if there were any students who might need medical attention. We had no epidemics this year, and no serious illness among the student body. Nor did we have any serious accidents.

This year we did not have a single claim for benefits for an accident through our insurance company, The North America Assurance Society.

— The student musical groups were very active during the year. The mixed Glee Club, under the direction of Professor Clayton Logan, gave sixteen concerts in this section of the state. Forty eight students were included in this group. The Valdosta State College Sorenaders, nine women also under the direction of Professor Logan, were invited to give a musical program at the President's banquet at the Georgia Education Association. In addition to this, they gave eighteen other performances during the year. The Male Quartet, under the direction of Professor Harold Thompson, gave ten performances during the year.

Professor Logan, tenor, and Professor Thompson gave public recitals in Valdosta and in Waycross during the year.

#### ATHLETICS

The male enrollment has increased to such a point that we can now participate in intercollegiate athletics. We have no athletic scholarships, therefore, we are amateurs. We competed in baseball and basketball with such colleges as North Georgia College, Piedmont College, Oglethorpe University, Georgia Teachers College, South Georgia College, Abraham Baldwin,



Chipola Jr. College and Norman College. We were fairly successful in both sports, winning half of the games we played.

LOANS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

It was obvious to us all that money was a little tighter this year. However, I only know of ten students who withdrew from school because of financial need. The Loan Committee made loans to seven students. Unless the demands increase greatly, I believe that we can take care of the normal number of applications for loans. The fact that we had twenty four gift scholarships, covering tuition, is responsible I believe, for the small number of loan applications.



LIBRARY

The report of the Librarian, Miss Lillian Patterson, will give a statement of library activities during the year.

Report of the Librarian  
of

Valdosta State College

June 1, 1954 - May 31, 1955

If statistics present a true picture, then 1954-55 was a successful year for the library. Daily attendance increased one hundred percent over the year 1952-53, with a fifty percent increase over 1953-54. The book circulation for home use was up more than thirty-five percent over last year and forty-five percent over the year before.

The number of books acquired by purchase remains at a low level; only 610 volumes were purchased through our regular budget, the remainder being bought through a special appropriation and the state matching fund. Again, some of the book money had to be diverted to other channels. Two hundred dollars of it was used to pay absolutely necessary student help, and about sixty dollars was used for purchasing Library of Congress cards for reprocessing some of the Emory collection.

The librarians hope to complete work on the cataloged Emory collection fairly early in the next school year. Then there remain several hundred stored, uncataloged volumes to be weeded and reprocessed. Whether there will be space for shelving these when finished is another story. More stack space is needed desperately.

Because our student help was of a very high and dependable calibre, both librarians were able to leave them in charge and attend the biennial meeting



of the Southeastern Library Association last fall. Both felt the knowledge and inspiration gained most worthwhile, and hope that such was reflected in this year's library service.

When we list "our most outstanding needs," it sounds like a broken record. We have waited so long for lights, stacks, and painting the building inside and out. To this we must add more student help. This is in addition to the extra two hundred dollars needed to cover salaries for our present help without robbing the badly needed book fund. It seems superfluous to point out that with the sharp increases in attendance and circulation, our present amount of student help is the very minimum for carrying on present services.

We realize that money is scarce and that the purse strings are tied. However, we must recognize that the expansion in enrollment and curriculum of which we are so proud necessitates expansion in library service. Such an increase requires money. We dislike very much to see the library, rightly reputed to be "the heart of the college," fall behind in any respect.

Most outstanding needs:

1. Lights.
2. Stacks.
3. More money for student help. The current allotment does not cover present needs. This year, \$200.00 was taken from the book budget to cover salaries for student help.
4. Paint library building inside and out.
5. Calk windows.



APPENDIX

CIRCULATION AND BOOK STOCK

Comparative Figures: 1952-53, 1953-54, 1954-55

| CIRCULATION OF BOOKS  | 1952-53       | 1953-54       | 1954-55       |
|---|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| <b>Volumes lent for home use (excluding overnight loans and reserves)</b> |               |               |               |
| Faculty   | 824           | 799           | 924           |
| Students  | 6774          | 7383          | 11,458        |
| Others  | 331           | 333           | 246           |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>7929</b>   | <b>8515</b>   | <b>11,499</b> |
| <b>Reserve books lent</b>   |               |               |               |
| For use in library  | 1851          | 1126          | 1425          |
| For overnight use   | 192           | 100           | 370           |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>2043</b>   | <b>1226</b>   | <b>1795</b>   |
| <b>BOOK STOCK</b>   |               |               |               |
| Volumes on hand at beginning of period                                    | 28,739        | 29,468        | 31,371        |
| Volumes added to library  | 1095          | 1963          | 1847          |
| Books by purchase   | 755           | 626           | +809          |
| Books by gift   | 231           | 1208          | 898           |
| Bound magazines by purchase   | 109           | 129           | 105           |
| Bound magazines by gift   |               |               | 35            |
| Withdrawals (lost or discarded)   | 366           | 60            | 32            |
| <b>Total volumes in library at end of period</b>                          | <b>29,468</b> | <b>31,371</b> | <b>33,186</b> |
| Uncataloged pamphlets added to library                                    | 559           | 509           | 625           |

\* Includes 199 purchased through state matching fund and special appropriation.



PUBLIC SERVICE OF FACULTY MEMBERS

The majority of the faculty members participated actively in the community. The President of the college is a member of the Board of Education, and is serving his second term as President of this Board. The President of the college, Dean J. A. Durrenberger and Jack McGraw, Director of Public Relations are all active in the affairs of the Community Chest. Five members of our Faculty participate in the program of the Kiwanis Club. Three of our members are active in the affairs of the Rotary Club. Several members of our Faculty and wives of our Faculty members participate actively in the affairs of the Womens Club. The President of the College serves as a Director of the Chamber of Commerce. Dean J. A. Durrenberger is a member of the State Y. M. C. A. Board and is an official of the Alapaha Council of Boys Scouts of America. All of the members of the staff participate actively in the affairs in some one of the various churches of Valdosta.

Mrs. Elisabeth Smith, of our Physical Education Department administered tests in this area for Red Cross Life Saving Certificates. All the members of our Education Staff served in advisory capacity to many of the school systems in this area during the past year. Many of our Academic Teachers have served in this capacity also. Dr. Ted Booker, of the Education Department worked with the Education Departments of Albany State College and Savannah State College in working out a re-organization of their teacher training program.



I am very pleased with the willingness in which each of our staff members participate in these various activities mentioned above.

#### NEW CONSTRUCTION AND REPAIRS

During the current school year construction on the Gymnasium has been completed. This building fills a long awaited need of the college. Until the completion of this building in November, we had no place for our Physical Education program except the great out-doors. This building makes it possible for us to have a well rounded Physical Education program, and gives us a satisfactory place for basketball. Up until the completion of this building we had no suitable place for the college dances or the Artist Series which we operate jointly with the community.

Construction was completed on the New Dining Hall at the close of the school year. It will, for the first time, give us the adequate facilities for our kitchen and dining hall we have needed for so long. This is indeed a fine building, and we are very proud to have it on our campus.

No major items of repair work were completed last year.

#### GIFTS

I have only one gift to report this year. Mrs. Willie Dewberry added \$500.00 to the Willie Dewberry Loan Fund, which she had established in honor of her son who lost his life during the war. This additional sum will be added to the loan fund which has been in operation for several years.



CURRICULA.

There were no significant changes in the existing curricular during this year. Only minor changes were made in the degree requirements for the major in Elementary Education. We are indeed pleased that the Board of Regents have seen fit to approve us for Secondary Education in certain fields. This will enable us to render a service in this area that we have not been able to give in the past. We are especially pleased that this will make it possible for some teachers in this area to complete work in Education at V. S. C. instead of going to Florida State University for such work.

CONCLUSION

We have had a very satisfactory year in 1954-1955, and I feel that we have rendered a service in the Education field in this area of the state. We now have over four hundred in-service teachers working toward degrees with us, and candidates for Secondary Education are filing their credits with us also. I am especially pleased with the outstanding work of Dr. Ted Booker and his Department in Teacher Training, and for the amount of consultant work they do for the schools in this area.

The male enrollment has increased considerably, and the majority of these men would not have the opportunity for a college education if this institution had not been made co-educational.

All of our departments have done an excellent job, and all of our graduates who wanted jobs have found employment.

We are very grateful for the allotment of money for the Student Center, as this will give us a satisfactory place for the students to



gather instead of rushing out to the "Joints" on the outskirts of Valdosta.

The re-wiring and renovation of Ashley Hall are underway. Senior Hall Dormitory will also need re-decorating in the near future.

When the Library was built by P.W.A. in 1940 it was not completed. All the upstairs rooms are still unplastered and the stack space was left off entirely when the building was built. We are using for stack space this unfinished room upstairs, and now have filled up the halls with book-shelves. We need to finish the upstairs and add stack space to the Library. The lights in the main reading room are not sufficient and satisfactory lighting needs to be installed in this large reading room. The architect's estimate for this job is \$83,323.00

We still need paved parking space on Main Campus. Likewise, the roads on North Campus need surfacing to prevent their washing away. One dormitory on North Campus is ready for occupancy, but the other dormitory must be wired and completely renovated before it can be used.

As our enrollment increases there is a great need for an infirmary. It is at present housed in one wing of Converse Hall- Dormitory. This has provided some problems since the institution has become co-educational. Certainly, before long we will need a separate infirmary building.

I have mentioned to you before that our enrollment in Home Economics has declined. It is the feeling of some of our faculty and students that the enrollment in this department will be small until we have a practice home or at least an apartment where the students can get practical experience on home management.



We have had a most satisfactory year and we certainly appreciate the interest of your office in the consideration that you have always given us in the problems that we have brought to you.

Respectfully submitted



J. Ralph Thaxton  
President

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