

## Policy Changes Clarified By Selective Service

The Selective Service System has clarified expected policy changes on undergraduate student deferments.

College students who were enrolled full-time in the 1970-71 academic year will be eligible for student deferments in the 1971-72 school year if they continue to make satisfactory progress in their programs of study, Selective Service officials said. However, young men who entered school for the first time this summer and those who enroll as freshmen this fall will not qualify for student deferments if the pending changes to the Selective Service Act are passed by Congress. The House has completed action on the bill and final Senate action is expected in September.

### Freshmen Effected

Dr. Curtis W. Tarr, Selective Service Director, said: "Few incoming freshmen students are likely to be inducted in the near future because of the student deferment phaseout. Of the 1,034,000 incoming freshmen males estimated by the Office of Education, approximately 80 percent are 18 years old and only 20 percent are 19 years of age or older.

"The 18 year olds will receive their lottery numbers in 1972, and they will not be subject to induction until 1973, when draft calls should be low. The 19 year

old freshmen received their lottery numbers August 5 of this year and will be subject to induction next year; at least one-half should have high enough lottery numbers to preclude their induction. Of those remaining, approximately 50 percent will be disqualified on mental, moral or physical grounds.

This means that a maximum of 50,000 men will be directly affected in 1972 by the student deferment phaseout and one-half of these, or 25,000, will probably not be inducted because of enlistments in Regular, Reserve or National Guard units, participating in commissioning programs or because of procedural delays.

Dr. Tarr said that college students will not be drafted in the middle of a semester or term. "If called while enrolled, they will be allowed to postpone their induction until the end of the semester, or term. If in their last academic year, they will be able to postpone their induction until their graduation."

### File Applications

Dr. Tarr advised incoming freshmen and students who started their program of study in the summer of 1971 or later not to file applications for student deferments even though the current law authorizes granting deferments to students in full-time programs of study.

"If the pending Selective Service legislation does not pass," Tarr said, "it would not be in a registrant's best interest to obtain a student deferment which would extend his liability until age 35. Should Congress change the legislation to provide deferments for new incoming freshmen, which is most unlikely, applications for deferments will not be jeopardized by delaying their submission until after passage of the new law."

The President's authority for the induction of all men under 35, except for those who have or who have had deferments, expired on June 30, 1971. If Congress does not reinstate the general induction authority, the President could authorize the induction of those registrants who hold or have held deferments. In this unlikely event, Selective Service officials believe that manpower requirements of the Department of Defense probably could be met by inducting those young men who have recently dropped deferments because they graduated, dropped out of school, or changed their occupations. Recent college graduates or dropouts would make up the bulk of inductions, the officials said. The officials added that cancellations of deferments probably would not be necessary nor would it be necessary to call those who have passed into the second priority selection group.

Currently, there are approximately six million young men under age 35 with deferments. Approximately 500,000 of these normally lose their deferments during a 12-month period. The largest groups of deferred men are those who have received fatherhood, occupational or student deferments.

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## Plans Getting Underway For Annual Homecoming

By SHARON JOHNSON  
Did someone mention Homecoming? Well, if you haven't already heard, this great event takes place on October 30, 1971 with a game between Chowan and Montgomery College at 2:00 p.m. But wait a minute. We can't have a homecoming without a theme so if you have any ideas give them to any SGA officer or Student Activities Committee Member. The theme for the 1971 Homecoming Parade will be announced on October 1. Now everyone knows we have to have a Homecoming Court. The court is to consist of two contestants, one freshman and one sophomore, sponsored by the Day Student Organization and each residence hall. That is two contestants for each group. Hurry and decide who you want

as your contestants because their names should be turned in to the Dean of Students by 5:00 p.m. on October 1. All the contestants will be presented in assembly on October 14 after which you will vote by secret ballot. Ballots will be given out and taken up in the same manner as the chapel cards.

The Homecoming Queen and an alternate, the Homecoming Princess, a freshman, and an alternate will be elected by out number one football team. The time for the election is up to Coach Jim Garrison.

Nine hours and nine quality points during their last semester in college is a requirement of all contestants except beginning freshmen. The freshmen who have just started college have no academic requirements. That makes sense doesn't it? Try to make sure that your choice of a contestant is in good standing in the college community because this too is a requirement which is to be acknowledged throughout the entire event. Bad behavior will cause the contestant to be removed from the list of eligible contestants or they may be removed from the court altogether. So think before you act and let's make this the best Homecoming Court of all.

Yes, we are having float entries for the parade. Two or more organizations can sponsor a float. Each float entry will receive \$10 and only \$10 from the SGA. Isn't that nice of the SGA. To show your appreciation get to work on ideas for a float and get your plans in to the Dean of Students by 5:00 p.m. on October 15. The SGA will present a \$25 cash award to the best float. The second best will receive a \$10 cash award. A letter of honorable mention from the SGA President and Dean of Students will be the award given to the float in the third place position. So work hard!

Now for those men in Stone Hall, McDowell Columns, Penny Infirmary, and College Inn, you are to vote with the residents of Mixon Hall when electing contestants. Those living in approved private homes in Murfreesboro are to vote with the members of the Day Student Organization.



TRUSTEE MEETING—Members of the Chowan College Board of Trustees listen to a report by President Bruce E. Whitaker during a recent called meeting of the governing body. Ben C. Sutton, secretary to the Trustees and the college business manager, is seated on the right.

## Student Gift-Pax To Be Distributed

This fall over 5 million students will receive gift-pax samples! Our campus will again be distributing the free student Gift-Pax kits of toilet articles as over 2,000 other colleges and universities throughout the United States have done for the past sixteen years. A good will promotion of leading U. S. manufacturers, packaged by Gift-Pax, Inc., West Hempstead, N. Y. who makes them available to us each semester.

Free student Gift-Pax will be available to the student body in their respective residence halls. There are coed assortments and

male oriented produce assortments. Day students and students living in approved private homes will get their Gift-Pax kits from the offices of Deans Dilday and Tolston.

The various clients represented in each Gift-Pax kit are Bristol-Myers, Colgate-Palmolive, Procter and Gamble, Schick

Razor, etc., with appropriate assortments going to male and female students in colorful timely designed re-usable plastic toilet article kits.

Come early while the supply lasts and bring your identification card to receive your student Gift-Pax.

## Record Enrollment

Some 25 states and 10 foreign countries are included among Chowan College's student body as the Baptist, two-year institution recorded the highest enrollment in its history with the opening of the fall semester.

Chowan's enrollment for its 124th year is 1533. This compares with 1472 for the fall semester last year. New enrollment records have been established every year since 1957 when Dr. Bruce E. Whitaker became Chowan's president and there were 235 students enrolled.

College officials had predicted an enrollment of some 1500. They explained that each year the college accepts more applications than needed because some don't follow through. Most did this year, however.

Officials stated that in line with the recommendations of the long-range planning committee, chaired by Ollie Brown of Ahoskie, N.C., the college is limiting its enrollment to approximately 1500 for next year and the foreseeable future.

"We are getting along fine this year," Phil Royce, college relations director, said, "but we do plan to place a ceiling on the enrollment. The emphasis will be on quality, not quantity," he added.

According to an announcement from the registrar's office, freshmen and transfer students account for 949 and sophomores and returning students 551.

Most Chowan students are enrolled in liberal arts and sciences; 15 are nursing students at Duke University Medical Center; two are

servicing medical secretarial internships in hospitals; 98 are preparing for printing and publishing careers in the well-known School of Graphic Arts; and a number of others are enrolled in terminal business and professional courses.

## Parents Day October 16th

October 16, 1971 has been scheduled as Fall Parents' Day according to an announcement from Dean of Students Clayton Lewis. An afternoon program—reception, dormitory visitation, refreshments, entertainment—is being planned for parents and citizens of the Chowan Community.

A dutch dinner with organ music by professor Bob Mulder will be provided in Thomas Cafeteria.

The day ends with a football game, Chowan vs. Lees-McRae. According to Coach Jim Garrison, this will be one of the more exciting games of the season.

Members of the Plymouth High School Band will provide the half-time show.

"Parents will be mailed invitations to Fall Parents' Day, a program and a list of area motels within the next week," said Dean Clayton Lewis. Also, he added, "Parents planning to spend Saturday night, October 16, 1971, in an area motel should make reservations early. This was a real problem last year."

### LETTERS TO EDITOR

Letters to the Editor are invited and will be printed. They must be signed, however, for printing in this newspaper.

## A Message from Our President . . .

To all members of the college community—students, faculty, staff, I extend a warm welcome for the 124th year in the life and service of Chowan College. In a special sense, this greeting is extended to the freshmen and transfer students.

We have 1,533 students and 79 faculty members this year. In addition, there are many staff and maintenance personnel. All in all, we comprise "quite a family." As President, I am quite anxious that all of us live together in peace and harmony and in common pursuit of quality education based on the pre-suppositions of the Christian faith. To the various members of the college community, this statement means different things—but the underlying principle is both basic and vital.

Chowan College is a great institution. Though it is an "old" college, it has come into the period of its most marked increase in program, outreach and service within the last two decades. It has a good fundamental curriculum and academic offering, participates creditably in all of the major sports, is increasingly becoming known for its Graphic Arts Program and Fine Arts Program (music, drama, and art), and is recognized as one of the very top two-year private and church-related colleges in the nation. Our library is outstanding in terms of its beauty, number of volumes, periodicals, hours of availability to the college community and the like. We have a beautiful campus. I am proud of Chowan College. You can and, I hope, will be yourselves.

This fall we will be engaged in a \$1 million campaign effort for a critically needed new science-engineering facility, which we hope to get under construction within this academic year. Throughout the fall and winter months especially we will have many guests on campus in this connection. The conduct, appearance and friendliness (or lack of it) on the part of this students, especially, will affect the giving attitude and patterns of these friends and supporters. In large measure to our many guests on campus, you as students are Chowan College! I am sure we can count on you for needed and appropriate cooperation in this regard.

Somehow I feel that this will prove to be a good year at Chowan. It will require united effort and shared concern if, in fact, it proves to be so, however. It is important to each one of you that we have a good year—that you develop habits of study and learning, and help to create an atmosphere conducive to such—whether in the library, in the dormitories and as regards mutual respect and helpfulness. What happens to your educational experience at Chowan is important to those of us on the faculty and staff. It is important to the whole of your future life. We want you to get your "money's worth" at Chowan.

I solicit your cooperation and efforts so that, together, we may have a good year at Chowan College during the academic year 1971-72. It will be so if we want it to be.

BRUCE E. WHITAKER  
President



REGISTRATION—Dr. B. Franklin Lowe, Jr., Dean of the College, checks the credentials of a freshman student class registration in Marks Hall. The semi-annual affair, which is a day most students dread, was operated very smoothly with only a small percentage of the students not being able to register for classes at the times they had chosen previously.

## Trustees Approve Record Budget

Approval of a record budget of \$2,650,000 highlighted a meeting of the Board of Trustees of Chowan College Aug. 26 in the office of President Bruce E. Whitaker.

### New McSweeney Award Goes To To S.C. Native

William (Billy) Hall of Pawleys Island, S.C. has been named the first recipient of the John McSweeney Typography Award made available by the director of the School of Graphic Arts at Chowan College, Herman Gatewood. The award is named in honor of the former director who was instrumental in establishing the School of Graphic Arts in 1952. He served as director 16 years. Now retired, he resides with his wife in St. Aetersburg, Fla. Under his leadership, the School was marked by expansion and progress that brought national recognition to it and Chowan.

### Sharing

A newspaper editor is like a squirrel, a sage has said, because so much of his time is spent on nuts. - Charleston (S.C.) News and Courier

The amount represented an increase of \$225,000 over the 1970-71 budget. Included in the budget is \$812,000 for faculty salaries. During the 14-year administration of Dr. Whitaker, the budget has increased annually from under \$300,000 in 1957 to the present total.

In other action, trustees approved the employment of two additional faculty members, John W. Gosnell, sociology, and Mrs. Mary Ann Stone, psychology. They bring to 11 the number of new professors named for the 1971-72 year.

Trustees also heard a report from North Carolina legislators, Phil Godwin, speaker of the house, and state senator, Vernon White of Winterville, concerning legislation passed by the 1971 State Legislator as related to financial aid to students in private colleges within the state.

M.E. Valentine, chairman of the board from Raleigh, announced that the sixth annual Planning Conference will be held Saturday, September 11.