

# Dean Frank Lowe Enjoys Community of Chowan'

By MARY VANN

Franklin Lowe was born in Kings Mountain, N.C. in 1935 and grew up in Rock Hill, S.C. where his parents were involved in the textile business. He took a full time job in the textile mill at the age of sixteen to save money for his college education. He worked a four to midnight shift as a sophomore year through senior year in high school and still managed to graduate valedictorian of his class. He went to Ferman University in S.C. with a Tholastic Scholarship which paid half of his expenses. He graduated from Ferman in 1958 with a Cum Laude and went on to receive his Bachelor of Divinity from Southeastern Theological Seminary in Wake Forest, N.C. During this time at Southeastern he met Peggy Williams from Carson, Va., she was also attending Southeastern after having graduated from Westhampton College with a B.A. in Social Studies. They were married in 1961 just before leaving for Emory University in Atlanta, Ga. where Dean Lowe had been awarded a Doctor of Fellowship Scholarship which covered his first two years of work there. He was awarded a Rockefeller Doctor of Fellowship Scholarship to cover his third year of work there. Mrs. Lowe taught grammar school in Marietta and Dean Lowe held a part-time job as a shoe salesman.

Upon receiving his Doctorate of Divinity from Emory, Dean Lowe was seeking a teaching position and a fellow graduate student commended Chowan to him. In the fall of 1964 Dean Lowe, his wife, and his new one-week one



DEAN B. FRANKLIN LOWE, JR.

son Gregg moved to Murfreesboro where he would assume the position of professor of Religion. He remained professor until the end of the academic year 1967-68 when he assumed the position of Dean of the College.

Dean Lowe has two children Gregg, who is now eight years old, and Lori Lynn, who is five. During the past few years he and his family have enjoyed vacations at Disney-World, Fla., the mountains of North Carolina and Virginia, and the New England states. Dean Lowe is an avid tennis and fishing enthusiast when time permits and also

enjoys collecting U.S. stamps and reading in his spare time.

Dean Lowe made the comment that when he first came to Chowan he wasn't sure he would be satisfied but he found that things soon fell into place with the aid of friends made at the college, and especially his secretary, Mrs. Sowell who helped him a great deal in the organization of his office. He mentioned he had had several offers from other institutions but also said, "I enjoy the community of Chowan, the students, the faculty, and the administration and I wouldn't under any circumstances leave it now."

# Gatewood Dedicated to Job; Started in Printing at 12

By STEPHEN BOWMAN

Herman Gatewood, Director of Graphic Arts, is very dedicated to his work and has been in the Graphic Arts and printing industry since the age of twelve, when after school he helped to get out THE STAR-TRIBUNE in Matham, Virginia, his home town.

Mr. Gatewood was born in 1930, the son of the late Mr. Henry Gatewood, a farm manager for a girls school and Mrs. Gatewood, housewife. He has two brothers and one sister. Even before high school he began to work after school in the newspaper and job printing plant of THE STAR-TRIBUNE and continued to work there throughout high school days and even after graduation from Chatham High. Then he joined the National Guard and served until 1951, just over a month after the termination of his service in the Guard, he entered the Army. While in the Army Gatewood taught classes in Chemical Warfare and found that he liked teaching.

After the Army, he went back to printing, this time working for a daily newspaper in Hopewell, Virginia and then on to THE LTA VISTA JOURNAL, Tavista, Virginia. Desiring to obtain more education he studied at the Danville Technical Institute (now the Danville Community College). In 1963 Gatewood came to



HERMAN W. GATEWOOD

Chowan College. With the help of John McSweeney, at that time the Director of Graphic Arts, he acquired a position teaching Graphic Arts at the College. Since beginning his job with the Graphic Arts Department he has taken Liberal Arts courses at Chowan for graduation and also attended summer and night courses in Vocational and Technical Education at Old Dominion University.

In June of 1970 Mr. Gatewood became the Director of the Graphic Arts Department. In addition to the regular duties of

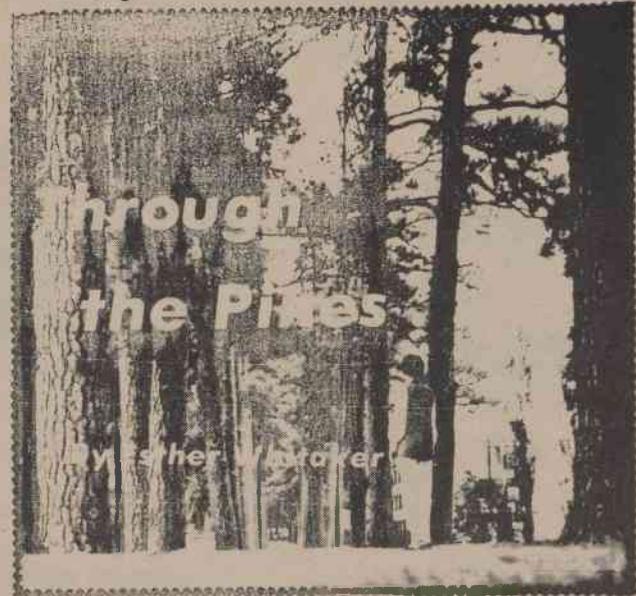
the Director he teaches the typography courses and teletypesetter to Graphic Arts students.

In 1955 Mr. Gatewood married a home town girl, Aldeen Powell. After moving to Murfreesboro she worked in the college business office until 1971 when they adopted a daughter, Patricia.

Gatewood enjoys camping and his work, which usually includes a couple nights of extra office during each week. His work is a way of life with him and says that he couldn't imagine doing anything else. Gatewood is a Mason and past master of the local lodge, a member of the Rotary Club, and the "Smoke Signals" advisor. He was Outstanding Jaycee of the Year in 1958 and is an Honorary Life Member of the Virginia Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Gatewood has a high opinion of Chowan College, "I think it's the finest school in the nation." As a teacher he says he has learned to have patience. Gatewood thinks students should get as much education as they possibly can for advancement in the working world.

The most enjoyable part of his work, Gatewood says, is the reward he gets in seeing his students develop and progress in their two years here and then seeing them get good jobs and advance in their positions.



The campus security officer had worked at the college for years. Although he had a striking resemblance to Santa Claus, when the boys "stepped out of line" he never hesitated to get them back in line by shooting his pistol (straight up into the air, of course). He could really "put the fear of the Lord" in them.

He loved his work, knew every person on campus, and loved the campus itself. When he became ill he continued to work, for he brought his youngest son along to assist him. His last request was that Chaplain Taylor conduct his funeral service on the campus of Chowan College.

When the Chaplain went to the home to make final arrangements, the wife of the deceased made a further request—that the Chaplain arrange a WAKE.

Few, if any, members of the Chowan College Family had ever participated in a WAKE, so there were questions asked such as, "What are we expected to do?" One "smartie" told Mr. Simmons that two people go together... one sits on the left side of the casket and one on the right, each holding a hand! However, the Chaplain explained that participants simply sit with the body, so the family can get their sleep.

The WAKE was organized, to begin about ten in the evening, the night before the funeral, two at a time in two hour stretches. The wives of the Chaplain and the President took their turn first! They were relieved by Mr. Simmons and Dean Morrisette. The second two declared that in the quietness of the night they heard a woman scream upstairs. They actually never knew what happened, but believed that one of the men in the large family went up stairs and started to bed in the wrong room!

The funeral was conducted the following afternoon in the Askew Building. It took on a Chapel atmosphere, with the drapes closed, the rows of folding chairs, the beautiful floral arrangements, and Mr. Case played soft music on the piano.

Members of the faculty, staff and many students joined the family to pay their last respects. A quartet, composed of Mr. Case, Mr. Brown, Mr. Chamblee and Dr. Lowe, sang two familiar and beautiful hymns. The Chaplain read Scripture passages and spoke appropriate words of comfort and promise. It was a memorable service and a fine tribute to a man who deserves a place in Chowan's interesting history.

## MOVIE SCHEDULE

- January 30—EVIL KNIEUIL, Columns, 7:30
- Feb. 6—TENTATIVE, Marks Hall, 7:30
- Feb. 13—KALEIDOSCOPE, Marks Hall, 7:30
- Feb. 20—KILLERS THREE, Marks Hall, 7:30
- Feb. 28—LITTLE FAUSS & BIG HALSY, 7:30
- March 6—THE BOBO, Marks Hall, 7:30
- March 13—TENTATIVE, Columns, 7:30
- March 20—GENGHIS KHAN, Marks Hall, 7:30
- April 3, BARBARELLA, Columns, 7:30
- April 10—ASSIGNMENT K, Marks Hall, 7:30
- April 17—GRAND PRIX, Columns, 7:30
- April 24—TENTATIVE, Columns, 7:30